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OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.

E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill,
J. M. French.

Town Clerk.

W. H. Jordan.

Treasurer.

E. D. Bancroft.

Tax Collector.

E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor.

A. A. Messinger.

Assessors.

H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1905.
W. S. Hague, Clerk, Term expires 1906.
Wm. Bancroft, Term expires 1907.

School Committee.

Harriet B. Sornborger, Term expires 1905.
H. W. Bracken, Term expires 1906.
Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1907.

Trustees of Public Library.

Anna M. Bancroft, Term expires 1905.
E. L. Osgood, Term expires 1906.
F. H. French, Term expires 1907.

Road Commissioners.

G. A. Draper, Term expires 1905.
Clare H. Draper, Term expires 1906.
Charles E. Pierce, Term expires 1907.

Park Commissioners.

George Otis Draper, Term expires 1905.
Frank J. Dutcher, Term expires 1906.
Charles F. Roper, Term expires 1907.

Constables.

Robert Ross, Antoine Morin, S. A. Andrew,
J. M. French, E. C. Barrows.

Field Drivers.

Sylvester L. Madden, J. M. French,
Frank Gaskill.

Tree Warden.

Eben S. Draper.

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

Engineers of Fire Department.

George W. Jenkins, Chief.
C. E. Pierce, 1st Assistant.
F. B. Sweet, Clerk and Treasurer.

Police Officers.

A. F. Fairbanks, Charles F. Maynard, Samuel Snodgrass,
S. A. Staples, C. E. Fairbanks, C. C. Downing,
Wilfred Gaskill, Thomas Matthews, Geo. W. Jenkins,
Alex Hollis, Sylvester L. Madden, Walter F. Durgin.

Forest Firewards.

Sylvester L. Madden, A. A. Westcott, 2d, R. G. Gaskill, Jr.
William Kelley, Geo. W. Jenkins, Edmund Barrows,
Fred B. Sweet, Chas. E. Pierce, Walter F. Durgin,
Hale Watson.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Sylvester L. Madden, H. B. Fisk, A. A. Westcott, 2nd,
W. H. Barney, F. A. Card.

Measurer of Lumber.

C. E. Nutting.

Public Weighers.

Forest W. Nichols, A. A. Westcott, 2nd, H. B. Fisk.

Fire Police.

Robert Ross.

Weighers of Coal.

W. H. Barney, F. A. Card.

Inspector of Cattle.

L. B. Gaskill.

Inspector of Meats and Provisions.

Waldo Phipps.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Charles F. Maynard.

Town Counsel.

J. A. Taft.

Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.

Thomas H. Bradley.

Agent Board of Health to Sign Burial Permits.

W. H. Jordan.

Registrars of Voters.

H. F. Searles, Term expires 1905.
S. A. Staples, Term expires 1906.
W. H. Grayson, Term expires 1907.
W. H. Jordan, Clerk.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Superintendent of Schools.

Herbert F. Taylor.

APPOINTED BY PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Superintendent of Parks.

Walter F. Durgin.

APPOINTED BY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Librarian.

Harriet B. Sornborger.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

Town Records.

January 11, 1904.

The board of selectmen, town clerk, and Constable J. M. French met at selectmen's room, Town Hall, January 11, 1904, at 9 A. M. E. A. Darling, selectman, drew from the juror box the name of Charles M. Fairbanks to serve as traverse juror at the superior court to be holden at Worcester, within and for our county of Worcester, on the fourth Monday of January, being the 25th day of said January, 1904.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1904.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester ss:

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, punctually at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, (the polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting,) to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The following officers to be voted for upon one

written or printed ballot and the use of the check list: Town clerk, treasurer, collector, auditor, selectmen, one road commissioner for three years, overseers of poor, board of health, one assessor to serve three years, one member of the school committee to serve for three years, five constables, one trustee of public library to serve three years, one park commissioner to serve three years, and one tree warden to serve for one year; also to bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen, overseers of the poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and any other officers and committees of said town.

Article 4. To raise such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing, and appropriate the same.

Article 5. To see if the town will instruct the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1904.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate fifty dollars toward defraying the expense of Memorial Day.

Article 7. To see if any discount will be allowed on taxes paid on or before the first of September, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see what disposition the town will make of money refunded from county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will allow the collector of taxes for his services.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to locate a street light on Freedom street near Progress street, appropriate money for the same, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to locate eight street lights on Dutcher street, north of Dennett street, appropriate money for the same, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to repair Freedom street, raise and appropriate money therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to repair Cemetery street, raise and appropriate money therefor, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1904.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

ROBERT ROSS,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Feb. 29, 1904.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in four public places in said town seven days before the time of said meeting.

ROBERT ROSS,
Constable of Hopedale.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1904.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at nine o'clock were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. The polls were declared open, and balloting for town officers, and for "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?" then proceeded.

Article 3. Voted: That the report of the selectmen, overseers of the poor, school committee, engineers of the fire department, and all other officers of the town be accepted.

Mr. E. D. Bancroft, in behalf of the committee appointed to look into the matter regarding better facilities and accommodations for handling the fire apparatus, said this committee was ready to report, but asked that this be laid over until the chairman of said committee should be present, as he was expected later.

Mr. E. S. Draper, chairman of the above mentioned committee, on his arrival, made the following report. The committee had looked at this point from all sides and had carefully considered many propositions, more or less expensive, but had finally come to the conclusion that the only proper way in which to give the town the protection needed was to build and equip a new fire station with the necessary apparatus, including horses and other equipment. As the present location of the fire station might be needed, should the Draper Company wish to extend their shops in that direction, Mr. Draper stated that this would mean the purchase of land for a new site and the erection of a suitable building adequate for future needs. This he said would require a large expenditure of money, and that the committee did not feel like going further without more authority from the town. It was then voted on motion of George Otis Draper that the same committee, con-

sisting of E. S. Draper, E. D. Bancroft, and the board of fire engineers, be given authority to proceed in regard to preparing plans looking towards procuring a site, etc., and to report at a special town meeting to be called later.

Article 4. Voted: That the chair appoint a committee of nine, who shall retire and recommend a list of appropriations for the year ensuing.

The chair appointed the following committee:—

Geo. Otis Draper,	E. D. Bancroft,	E. A. Darling,
L. B. Gaskill,	Chas. E. Pierce,	Frank J. Dutcher,
Frank H. French,	Clare H. Draper,	H. W. Bracken.

Voted: To accept the report of above committee as read by George Otis Draper, chairman, and act upon the same item by item.

Voted: Unanimously, to raise and appropriate for heating, care, teaching, fuel, supplies, textbooks, improvements, repairs and supervision of schools . . . $14,500 00

For new boiler for brick schoolhouse . .		950 00
For support of library (exclusive of dog tax) .		2,300 00
For highway department, general account . . .	$5,500 00	
For highway department, watering streets . . .	1,450 00	
For highway department, sidewalks	1,000 00	
		7,950 00
For fire department, general account	$1,825 00	
For fire department, forest fires .	100 00	
For fire department, new hose .	175 00	
		2,100 00
For incidental department . . .		3,000 00
For water for fire purposes . . .		2,100 00
For street lighting account . . .		2,450 00
For Town Hall account		500 00
For state and county tax		9,500 00
For use of tree warden		500 00
For poor department		1,200 00
For park department		2,500 00

For payment on the town debt . . .	$10,000 00
For interest account	1,000 00
	$60,550 00

Article 5. Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Hopedale, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, the town treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the majority of the board of selectmen, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate $35,000.00 (thirty-five thousand dollars) and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate $50.00 to defray the expense of Memorial Day, said amount to be paid to Post 22, G. A. R.

Article 7. Voted: To allow a discount of two per cent on all taxes paid on or before September first.

Article 8. Voted: To turn over to the library the money refunded to the town from county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. Voted: That the collector of taxes be allowed one half of one per cent for his services.

Article 10. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to locate a street light on Freedom street, near Progress street, and raise and appropriate $22.50 for the same.

Article 12. Voted: To authorize the selectmen to locate four (eight being the number asked for) street lights on Dutcher street north of Dennett street, and raise and appropriate $90.00 for the same.

Article 13. Voted: To repair Freedom street, and raise and appropriate $1000.00 for the same.

Article 14. Voted: To repair Cemetery street, and raise and appropriate $1000.00 for the same.

Voted: To close the polls at one o'clock P. M.

Punctually at one o'clock the moderator declared the polls closed, and the ballots were counted by the selectmen, the result being declared as follows: License: 2 Yes. 110 No. There were 118 ballots cast for each of the following town officers:—

Town clerk, W. H. Jordan.

Town treasurer, E. D. Bancroft.

Collector, E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor, A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, overseers of the poor, board of health and fence viewers: E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, J. M. French.

Assessor for three years, Wm. Bancroft.

Road commissioner for three years, Charles E. Pierce.

School committee for three years, Frank J. Dutcher.

Trustee of town library for three years, Frank H. French.

Constables, Robert Ross, Antoine Morin, J. M. French, S. A. Andrews, E. C. Barrows.

Field drivers, Sylvester L. Madden, J. M. French, Frank Gaskill.

Tree warden, Eben S. Draper.

Park commissioner for three years, Charles F. Roper.

Of the above elected officers the following were present and were sworn by the moderator to the faithful performance of their duties:—

Wm. H. Jordan, E. S. Stimpson, Adin A. Messinger, E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, J. M. French, Robert Ross.

Voted: To dissolve the warrant.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 16, 1904.

I hereby appoint G. Forbes, jr., as assistant town clerk, and said Forbes, jr., was sworn to faithfully perform the duties of said office.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 2, 1904.

The board of selectmen, town clerk and Constable S. A. Andrew met at selectmen's room, Town Hall, April 2, 1904, at 7.30 P. M. J. M. French, selectman, drew from the juror box the name of Ernest Knox to serve as traverse juror at the supreme judicial court, to be holden at Worcester, within and for our county of Worcester, on the second Tuesday in April, it being the 12th day of said April, 1904.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

April 9, 1904.

A sixth class liquor license was this day granted to L. A. Lamson & Son, Druggists, Harrison Block, Hopedale, by the selectmen of said town.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

June 14, 1904.

REPORT OF THE ROAD COMMISSIONERS ON THE NEW LAY-OUT OF CEMETERY STREET.

There being no definite boundaries for the lay-out of Cemetery street, the board of road commissioners, having complied with the requirements of the law, would report to the town for its acceptance a re-location of said town way bounded and described as follows: "Beginning at a point at land of

William F. Draper and Draper Company twenty and fifteen hundredths (20.15) feet from stone bound at the intersection of the boundary line of the above owners with that of the westerly line of the Hopedale cemetery, thence N. 20 deg. 30 min. E. 514.68 feet to an angle; thence N. 2 deg. 00 min. W. 80.00 feet to curve; thence on curve of 39 feet radius to center line of Union street.

Said street to be forty (40) feet wide, twenty (20) feet distant and parallel to center line herein described, from the place of beginning to first angle then narrowing from 40 ft. wide to thirty-three (33) feet in the distance of eighty (80) feet, the seven (7) feet being taken from the east side, and then continuing on curve 33 feet wide to the end, said curve being tangent to Union street.

Plans and description as above were filed with the town clerk June 14, 1904, and we herewith submit the same as a part of our report.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. PIERCE,
GEORGE A. DRAPER,
C. H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners, Town of Hopedale.

A true copy. Attest:

W. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

July 16, 1904.

To the Honorable, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Hopedale, Worcester County, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen :—

Your petitioner, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, a corporation of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, respectfully requests the consent of your honorable board to construct, operate and maintain its lines of poles, wires and fixtures upon the following public highways of said town, to wit:—

Upon Plain street, adjoining lands of Frank Gaskill and Peter McBride, upon South Main street adjoining lands of

Annie E. Smith and Ervin Blanchard, and along Mellen street from South Main street to the town of Bellingham.

Your petitioner further requests that your honorable board will make such consent in writing directed to your petitioner, together with such specifications and conditions in regard to the construction of its said line as to you may seem reasonable and proper.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS,

By H. James,
Special Agent.

Dated, Hopedale, Mass., July 16, 1904.

To the American Telegraph and Telephone Company of Massachusetts.

Gentlemen :—

The board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Worcester county, Massachusetts, acting upon your foregoing petition directs that the American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, its successors or assigns, be, and the same hereby are, granted the right, privilege and authority to locate, construct, operate and maintain its lines of poles, wires and fixtures upon, along and over the following public highways in said town of Hopedale, to wit :—

Upon Plain street, adjoining lands of Frank Gaskill and Peter McBride, upon South Main street adjoining lands of Annie E. Smith and Ervin Blanchard, and along Mellen street from South Main street to the town of Bellingham, upon the following conditions and specifications :—

All poles shall be reasonably straight of good sound cedar, pine, chestnut or juniper, and shall be so located that the public use of the highway shall not be interfered with, the flow of water in ditches or drain interrupted, or entrances to gateways or driveways obstructed. Space shall be reserved on said poles for the attaching thereto of the wires of the fire alarm and police telegraph system of said town of Hopedale.

Upon the completion of the construction of said line said American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts shall file a plan with the town clerk of the town of Hopedale, showing the location at which its said poles have been erected which shall thereupon be and become a part hereof.

Passed July 22nd, 1904.

E. A. DARLING,
J. M. FRENCH,
L. B. GASKILL,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, COUNTY OF WORCESTER, TOWN OF HOPEDALE, SS.

I, William H. Jordan, town clerk of the town of Hopedale, Worcester county, Mass., do hereby certify that the foregoing petition is a true and accurate copy of a petition presented to the board of selectmen of said town on the 16th day of July, 1904, and that the foregoing order is a true and accurate copy of the order thereon adopted by said board of selectmen on the 22nd day of July, 1904, as fully and completely as the same has been recorded in the records of the town of Hopedale. I do further certify that said board of selectmen held a public hearing in relation to granting the prayer of said petition at the Town Hall in said town on the 22nd day of July, 1904, before the adoption of its order aforesaid, and that written notices of said public hearing were mailed at least three days before said hearing by me as town clerk to the owners of real estate along the ways or parts of ways upon which said American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts proposes to construct its said line.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed hereto the official seal of said town this 23rd day of July, 1904, at Hopedale, Mass.

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

(SEAL)

A true copy. Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

PETITION.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires in the following named streets and highways of said town, viz: South Main street from Milford town line to Mendon town line.

Date October 5, 1904.

THE NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS.
By Francis A. Houston, General Manager.
J. H. B.

In Board of Selectmen, Hopedale, Massachusetts,
Oct. 22, 1904.

Voted: That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the traveled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles and in the height of the wires if so directed by the board of selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: South Main street from Milford town line to Mendon town line.

Said company agrees to reserve space at the top of these

poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires owned by the town and used for municipal purposes only.

Signatures of selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH.

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the Records of the Town of Hopedale, Book One, Page 403.

Attest: W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that on Oct. 22, 1904, at 7.30 o'clock P. M. at selectmen's room a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed, and that I mailed at least three days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said company under said specification.

Attest: W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

To either constable of the town of Hopedale, in said county, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the eighth day of November, A. D. 1904, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in

their ballots to the selectmen for electors of president and vice-president; governor; lieutenant-governor; secretary; treasurer; auditor; attorney-general; representative in Congress; councillor; senator; two representatives in the General Court; district attorney; county commissioner; associate commissioner and sheriff; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for.

The polls may be closed at one o'clock on said day of meeting.

At 12 o'clock noon of the above mentioned eighth day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the above-described inhabitants to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen.

Article 3. To hear the report of any committees appointed by the town.

Article 4. To see if the town will appoint a committee to have charge of and to accept in its name and behalf, the marble fountain which Mrs. William F. Draper desires to present to the town of Hopedale.

Article 5. To see if the town will appropriate any money to supply water and care for the above mentioned fountain, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate any money to pay for the work in laying out and grading the land around the new fountain, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 22d day of October, A. D. 1904.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

SAMUEL A. ANDREW,
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Nov. 1, 1904.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in four public places in said town seven days before the time of said meeting.

S. A. ANDREW,
Constable of Hopedale.

Attest:

W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 8, 1904.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at six o'clock in the forenoon, were called to order by the clerk of said town who read the warrant after which the polls were declared open. The cards of instructions and sample ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks who receipted therefor. The ballot-box registered at zero and was shown to be empty, and the keys delivered to Constable Samuel A. Andrew. Voting then proceeded.

At 12 o'clock noon there was a meeting of the above described inhabitants and under

Article 1. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator.

Article 2. Voted to accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen, which list follows: —

Frank L. Arnold,	Wm. Bancroft,	H. M. Bates,
Wm. L. Beals,	C. H. Bull,	James D. Draper,
Albion H. French,	Chas. M. Fairbanks,	R. G. Gaskill,
Wm. H. Grayson,	Edwin C. Hall,	E. A. Harding,
John S. Henry,	Ernest Knox,	H. B. Leonard,
A. A. Messinger,	DeForest Morrison,	Henry A. Stearns,
Charles M. Thayer,	Wallace Warner,	A. A. Westcott 2d,
David A. Westcott,	Wilmarth A. Westcott,	E. W. Woodbury.

Article 3. Mr. E. D. Bancroft on behalf of the committee on "Better facilities for handling fire apparatus" reported for the chairman substantially as follows:—

Sketches and estimates had been procured but the figures had been so high that this plan had been temporarily abandoned.

On motion of Mr. Geo. A. Draper the committee were given more time to make further investigation. So voted.

Article 4. Voted: On motion of Mr. Geo. A. Draper that the selectmen and the trustees of the public library be a committee to accept the marble fountain, the gift of Mrs. William F. Draper, and make suitable acknowledgement therefor, and that the trustees of the public library be given entire charge and care of above mentioned fountain.

Article 5. Voted: On motion of Mr. E. L. Osgood to pass this article.

Article 6. Voted: On motion of Mr. Geo. A. Draper to appropriate the sum of $142.59, this being the amount of expense incurred by the library trustees in laying out, grading and seeding the land around the new fountain.

Voted: To close the polls at 4.30 o'clock P. M., this being the hour of sunset.

At 1.40 o'clock P. M. the ballot-box, which registered 451, was opened by Constable Andrew, and the tellers being duly sworn as the law directs, 450 ballots were taken out and counting proceeded.

Promptly at 4.30 o'clock the polls were declared closed. The ballot-box registered 487, and 37 more ballots were taken

out, making a total of 487. 487 names had been checked on the voting list, and 487 names had been checked on the ballot clerk's list. After compiling the various lists the result was declared in open meeting as follows:—

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

	VOTES.
Corregan and Cox, Socialist labor	1
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield, At large	1
Charles N. Wentworth of Lynn, At large	1
Herman Keopke of Pittsfield, District 1	1
Henry Noffke of Holyoke, District 2	1
John A. Fredrickson of Worcester, District 3	1
John A. Anderson of Gardner, District 4	1
John Kenny of Lawrence, District 5	1
James F. Dailey of Haverhill, District 6	1
Edwin S. Mayo of Everett, District 7	1
John J. Wall of Cambridge, District 8	1
James F. Stevens of Boston, District 9	1
John E. Eustace of Peabody, District 10	1
George Nelson of Boston, District 11	1
Carl D. K. Fredrickson of Hopedale, District 12	1
Dennis McGoff of New Bedford, District 13	1
Frank Bohmbach of Boston, District 14	1
Blanks	21
Debs and Hanford, Socialist	10
John Ellis of Haverhill, At large	10
Howard A. Gibbs of Worcester, At large	10
Edgar N. Whitaker of Holyoke, District 1	10
Alva E. Fenton of Springfield, District 2	10
Louis F. Weiss of Worcester, District 3	10
Ernest C. Irish of Waltham, District 4	10
John B. Cameron of Lawrence, District 5	10
Parkman B. Flanders of Haverhill, District 6	10
Alfred B. Outram of Chelsea, District 7	10
Charles W. White of Somerville, District 8	10
George W. Galvin of Boston, District 9	10
Daniel W. Gorman of Quincy, District 10	10

Jacob Haertl of Boston, District 11	10
Herbert Mosman of Stoughton, District 12	10
Jeremiah J. Sullivan of Fall River, District 13	10
Charles E. Lowell of Whitman, District 14	10
Blanks	21
Parker and Davis, Democratic	46
Patrick A. Collins of Boston, At large	46
Henry W. Ely of Westfield, At large	46
Robert Abercrombie of Greenfield, District 1	46
William P. Hayes of Springfield, District 2	46
James E. Estabrook of Worcester, District 3	46
Herbert H. Lyons of Fitchburg, District 4	46
Peter J. Brady of Lowell, District 5	46
William B. Sullivan of Danvers, District 6	46
Charles J. Barton of Melrose, District 7	46
John H. H. McNamee of Cambridge, District 8	46
Emery D. Leighton of Boston, District 9	46
Lawrence J. Logan of Boston, District 10	46
John H. Lee of Boston, District 11	46
James E. Cotter of Hyde Park, District 12	46
Charles S. Ashley of New Bedford, District 13	46
Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth, District 14	46
Blanks	21
Roosevelt and Fairbanks, Republican	406
William W. Crapo of New Bedford, At large	406
Edwin U. Curtis of Boston, At large	406
Robert M. Woods of Hatfield, District 1	406
Norman P. Wood of Northfield, District 2	406
Calvin D. Paige of Southbridge, District 3	406
Walter Perley Hall of Fitchburg, District 4	406
Newton P. Frye of North Andover, District 5	406
George H. Dole of Haverhill, District 6	406
Clarence T. Fernald of Melrose, District 7	406
George W. Perkins of Somerville, District 8	406
Francis L. Auld of Boston, District 9	406
Milton C. Paige of Boston, District 10	406
Thomas Sherwin of Boston, District 11	406
Abbott E. French of Canton, District 12	406

Benjamin Anthony of New Bedford, District 13	406
William A. Nye of Bourne, District 14	406
Blanks	21
Swallow and Carroll, Prohibition	3
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, At large	3
William H. Partridge of Newton, At large	3
Wilbur M. Purrington of Williamsburg, District 1	3
Alfred H. Evans of Northampton, District 2	3
Richard D. Murphy of Worcester, District 3	3
Alfred L. Cutting of Weston, District 4	3
George E. Batchelder of Lynnfield, District 5	3
James F. Pease of Merrimac, District 6	3
Henry A. Smith of Stoneham, District 7	3
Joseph B. Bent of Somerville, District 8	3
William H. Park of Boston, District 9	3
Roland F. Alger of Boston, District 10	3
Hiram B. Cross of Boston, District 11	3
William H. Cobb of Newton, District 12	3
Charles A. Chace of Swansea, District 13	3
Daniel F. Chessman of Sandwich, District 14	3
Blanks	21
Watson and Tibbles, Peoples Party	0
D. Gerry Brown of Brockton, At large	0
George E. McNeill of Cambridge, At large	0
District 1	0
Alvin M. Shaw of East Longmeadow, District 2	0
Francis Leander King of Worcester, District 3	0
District 4	0
Horace B. Foster of North Andover, District 5	0
Benjamin Potter of Swampscott, District 6	0
Levi R. Pierce of Lynn, District 7	0
G. Leonard McNeill of Somerville, District 8	0
Henry Lemon of Boston, District 9	0
Asa F. Hall of Milton, District 10	0
Phinehas P. Field of Boston, District 11	0
Geo. F. Washburn of Westwood, District 12	0
District 13	0

Thomas S. Hodgson of Middleborough, District 14	0
Blanks	21

GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams of Amesbury, Socialist	9
John L. Bates of Boston, Republican	355
Michael T. Berry of Lynn, Socialist Labor	1
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton, Prohibition	2
William L. Douglas of Brockton, Democratic	108
Blanks	12

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Olof Bokelund of Worcester, Socialist	12
John C. Crosby of Pittsfield, Democratic	63
Frank P. Dyer of Arlington, Prohibition	2
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, Republican	378
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke, Socialist Labor	5
Blanks	27

SECRETARY.

James A. Bresnahan of Cambridge, Socialist Labor	2
Fannie J. Clary of Williamsburg, Prohibition	2
Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, Socialist	13
Henry B. Little of Newburyport, Democratic	44
William M. Olin of Boston, Republican	394
Blanks	32

TREASURER.

Hubert C. Bartlett of Fitchburg, Socialist	13
Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, Republican	390
Edmund D. Codman of Boston, Democratic	44
Andrew Mortensen of Somerville, Socialist Labor	1
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, Prohibition	5
Blanks	34

AUDITOR.

Charles E. Burnham of Worcester, Prohibition	5
Walter J. Hoar of Worcester, Socialist Labor	2
Charles Stevens of Plymouth, Socialist	13
Francis X. Tetrault of Southbridge, Democratic	44
Henry E. Turner of Malden, Republican	386
Blanks	37

Attorney-General.

Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park, Prohibition	7
John P. Leahy of Boston, Democratic	43
Herbert Parker of Lancaster, Republican	390
John Weaver Sherman of Boston, Socialist	13
Thomas Stevenson of New Bedford, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	33

Representative in Congress (12th District).

Augustus Hemenway of Canton, Democratic	47
George Elmer Littlefield of Westwood, Socialist	14
John W. Weeks of Newton, Republican	393
Blanks	33

Councillor, (7th District).

William A. Lytle of Worcester, Republican	364
Henry L. Rice of Fitchburg, Socialist	16
Blanks	107

Senator (5th Worcester District).

Cyrus R. Axtell of Grafton, Prohibition	7
Samuel E. Hull of Millbury, Republican	375
Burrell W. Morse of Oxford, Socialist	13
Samuel B. Taft of Uxbridge, Democratic	57
Blanks	35

Representatives in General Court (10th Worcester District).

George F. Birch of Milford, Republican	369
Edward Halloran of Westborough, Democratic	30
Charles H. Johnson of Upton, Socialist	12
William F. Jordan of Milford, Socialist	16
Francis T. Nelson of Upton, Republican	344
John E. Swift of Milford, Democratic	58
Blanks	145

County Commissioner (Worcester).

Gideon M. Aldrich of Uxbridge, Democratic	45
George W. Cook of Barre, Republican	385
Charles K. Hardy of Worcester, Socialist	14
Blanks	43

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS (WORCESTER).

Stephen K. Edwards of Southbridge, Democratic	37
S. Augustus Howe of Gardner, Republican	349
Joseph H. Lyden of Worcester, Democratic	31
Fritz Wilhelm August Mindt of Fitchburg, Socialist	15
George F. Morse of Leominster, Republican	342
Harry A. Webber of Leominster, Socialist	15
Blanks	185

DISTRICT ATTORNEY (MIDDLE DISTRICT).

George E. Harris of Leominster, Socialist	14
Thomas H. Sullivan of Millbury, Democratic	37
George S. Taft of Uxbridge, Republican	395
Blanks	41

SHERIFF (WORCESTER COUNTY).

Maurice Barsky of Worcester, Socialist	13
Robert H. Chamberlain of Worcester, Republican	391
James K. Churchill of Worcester, Democratic	43
Blanks	40

After the reading of the above by the presiding officer, Chairman Darling, the warrant was dissolved by the moderator. The check lists used by the selectmen and the ballot clerks, together with the canceled and unused ballots and tally sheets, were sealed and delivered to the town clerk. The returns were made out, signed and made ready for mailing.

Attest: W. H. JORDAN,
Town Clerk.

CLERKS' MEETING.

November 18, 1904.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, ss:

In compliance with the law, we the undersigned town clerks of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Upton and Westborough, which towns comprise the tenth Worcester representative district, met at Hopedale Town House, selectmen's room, at twelve o'clock noon on the 18th day of November, 1904, and compared the returns of votes cast in said towns on the 8th

day of November, 1904, for two representatives to the next General Court to be holden at Boston.

Said returns were made to us as the law directs, and were given in at legal meetings held in said towns on November 8th, 1904, and were for the following persons, namely :—

	Hopedale.	Mendon.	Milford.	Upton.	Westborough.	Total.
George F. Birch of Milford, Republican,	369	88	860	235	398	1950
Edward Halloran of Westborough, Democratic,	30	27	695	58	208	1018
Charles H. Johnson of Upton, Socialist,	12	5	65	15	12	109
William F. Jordan of Milford, Socialist,	16	5	101	4	7	133
Francis T. Nelson of Upton, Republican,	344	95	684	299	383	1805
John E. Swift of Milford, Democratic,	58	41	1060	90	176	1425
Blanks,	145	73	813	151	358	1540

George F. Birch of Milford, and Francis T. Nelson of Upton, having received the largest number of votes were declared elected, and to them certificates of election were given, also a duplicate was sent to the secretary of the Commonwealth, as the law directs.

In witness whereof, we, the undersigned clerks of Hopedale, Mendon, Milford, Upton and Westborough hereto set our hands this 18th day of November 1904.

Attest:

Wm. H. Jordan, Town Clerk of Hopedale,
Horace C. Adams, Town Clerk of Mendon,
John T. McLoughlin, Town Clerk of Milford,
Francis T. Nelson, Town Clerk of Upton,
Joseph S. Gates, Town Clerk of Westborough.

JURORS DRAWN.

Charles M. Fairbanks, traverse juror, Jan. 11, 1904.
Ernest Knox, " " Apr. 2, 1904.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

95 male, 8 female. Amount sent to County Treasurer $209.40.

VITAL STATISTICS.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1904.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	MARRIAGE.	BY WHOM MARRIED.
1904.					
Jan. 12,	John T. Bateson,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Alice T. McManus,	Hopedale, Mass.,	19	1st	
May 23,	Clarence I. Knox,	Hopedale, Mass.,	30	1st	Rev. R. E. Bisbee.
	Alice M. Walker,	Milford, Mass.,	22	1st	
June 1,	Francis A. Lapworth,	Hopedale, Mass.,	30	1st	Rev. James B. King.
	Mary L. Wood,	Hopkinton, Mass.,	24	1st	
" 1,	Samuel Gaskill, Jr.,	Hopedale, Mass.,	20	1st	Rev. Fred'k B. Greel.
	Cristena A. Nicholson,	Waltham, Mass.,	24	1st	
" 15,	John L. Crandall,	Hopedale, Mass.,	37	2nd	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Elizabeth Ahern,	Milford, Mass.,	31	1st	
" 21,	Charles R. Woodbury,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney.
	Florence H. Bunker,	Milford, Mass ,	25	1st	
Aug. 17,	Robert H. McCarty,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Mamie Brown,	Fall River, Mass ,	22	1st	
Sept. 11,	George F. Feltman,	Woonsocket, R.I.,	21	1st	Rev. Chas. J. White.
	Gertrude E. Ellis,	Hopedale, Mass.,	21	1st	
" 15,	William C. Ellis,	Hopedale, Mass.,	35	1st	Rev. J. H. Duckrey.
	Isabelle Black,	Boston, Mass.,	36	1st	
Oct. 4,	Myron L. Tuck,	Hopedale, Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. L. G. Wilson.
	Florence E. Varnum,	Hopedale, Mass.,	28	1st	
" 5,	William R. Stearns,	Hopedale Mass.,	24	1st	Rev. D. T. Magill.
	Lillian L. Beal,	Mendon, Mass.,	19	1st	
" 5,	Arthur E. Smith,	Milford, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Mary A. Hannon,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	
" 19,	Lucian E. Wells,	Hopedale, Mass.,	29	1st	Rev. W. S. Danker.
	Pearl Hurt,	Milford, Mass.,	26	1st	
" 27,	George J. Mullen,	Hopedale, Mass.,	23	1st	Rev. John P. Phelan.
	Jennie E. Casey,	Milford, Mass.,	22	1st	
Nov. 8,	Edmund C. Barrows,	Hopedale, Mass.,	64	2nd	Rev. E. W. Whitney.
	Harriet M. Kelley,	Hopedale, Mass.,	60	2nd	

BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING 1904.

DATE.		NAME.	PARENTS.
1903.			
Aug.	29,	Fredrick Almond Metcalf,	Fredrick L. and Mary A. (Connors).
1904.			
Jan.	11,	Evelyn Maria Westcott,	Wilmarth and Evelyn F. (Underhill).
"	16,	Frank James Craddock,	Thomas H. and Catherine (Shanks).
Feb.	6,	Dorothy Canning Miller,	Arthur B. and Edith A. (Canning).
"	11,	Malcolm Newell Turner,	James M. and Rose E. (Draper).
"	22,	George Washington Osborne,	Wm. M. and Frances M. (Egganford).
"	24,	Hennessey,	John E. and Clara (St. Jean).
Mch.	3,	Louis Tony Joseph Leonceni,	Lawrence and Marian (Bresciani).
"	16,	Rebecca Emily Freethey,	E. Stirling and Winifred (Hamilton).
"	23,	Sarah Christena Hunter,	Francis J. and Eva (Lambert).
Apr.	1,	Leroy Fredrick Chapdelaine,	Eldrick and Mary (Pelletier).
"	7,	Harold Allston Wye,	George A. and Mary A. (Morse).
"	17,	Gladys J. Barrows,	Frank E. and Ellen E. (Munger).
"	18,	Melissa Mary LeBlanc,	Joseph and Nancy M. (LaFleur).
"	27,	Gordon Archer Clark,	George A. and Elizabeth A. (Couter).
June	10,	FanniePaulinePhilpotNeally,	Howell F. and Pearl (Philpot).
"	20,	John Wilmarth Searles,	Henry F. and Jennette (Tufts).
"	30,	Cyrus R. Clark,	Frank S. and Jessie M. (Rich).
Aug.	11,	Margaret Isabella Hattersley,	Thomas S. and Emily (Menagh).
"	20,	Edith May Davis,	William H. and Selma I. (Roeltgen).
"	31,	Nancy Alice Mellen,	Frank E. and Mary L. (Knox).
Sept.	21,	Elmer Fredrick Wheeler,	Paul and Flora M. (Alger).
"	23,	Mary Fabiola Gladys Octeau,	Arthur F. and Olive (Victoria).
"	24,	Daniel Edwin Gorman,	Daniel J. and Abbie F. (Larkin).
"	26,	Frederick Lewis Wood,	Ernest and Mary L. (Wood).
Oct.	5,	Minetta Bradley Decoster,	Charles L. and Minetta L. (Bradley).
"	14,	Helen Eliza Andrews,	Edgar A. and Mary E. (Colvin).
Nov.	1,	Rachael Barney,	Wm. H. and Jennie S. (Tripp).
"	21,	Alexina Irene Belanger,	John B. and Alexina (Dubois).
"	22,	Herbert Fletcher Dunn,	Herbert L. and Grace (Kelley).
"	25,	Charles Henry Jewett, jr.,	Charles H. and Eleanor P. (Grinnell).
"	26,	Elizabeth Johnson,	Arthur C. and Grace (Daniels).
"	28,	Vincent William Cotter,	William E. and Delia C. (Nugent).
Dec.	11,	Marion Augusta Williams,	Llewellyn C. and Maude F. (Clapp).
"	18,	John Henry Macomber,	Charles and Mary (Shea).
"	25,	Mary Christina Lamson,	Arthur and Edith M. (Fletcher).

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1904.

DATE.	NAME OF DECEASED.	AGE.			DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
		Y	M	D		
1903.						
Dec. 27,	Mary E. Spiller,	20	6	4	Phthisis Pulmonii,	Sweden.
1904						
Jan. 14,	Asahel H. Harris,	66	0	12	Pneumonia,	N.Scituate, R.I.
" 18,	Margaret E. Collins,	0	1	8	Infantile Debility,	Hopedale.
Feb. 1,	Nathan Durfee,	59	3	22	Cerebral Thrombosis,	Fall River.
" 14,	Levi W. Russell,	72	11	30	Catarrhal Pneumonia,	Ashburnham.
" 24,	Hennessey,	0	0	0	Stillborn,	Hopedale.
" 29,	Mary Johnson,	8	6	0	Pneumonia,	Hopedale.
Apr. 7,	Wye,	0	0	0	Stillborn,	Hopedale.
May 8,	Emelia V. Muir,	0	7	15	Pneumonia,	Cambridgeport
" 6,	Mary E. Sears,	30	2	5	Dilation of the Heart and Pulmonary Oedema,	Brookline, Ct.
" 22,	Richard G. Gaskill,	77	2	6	Heart Disease,	Mendon.
" 25,	Luanna G. Clark,	35	2	19	Chronic Bronchitis,	Springfield.
June 18,	Catherine Schultz,	76	2	4	Diabetes,	Ireland.
July 11,	Harold W. Jenney,	16	9	29	Appendicitis,	Somerset.
" 11.	William Welch,	70	5	18	Pernicious Anæmia,	Clint'nville NY
" 15,	John Gorham,	37	4	0	Railway Accident,	Ireland.
" 17,	Cyrus R. Clark,	0	0	17	Spina Bifida,	Hopedale.
" 26,	Henry W. Moorhouse,	67	5	6	Cerebral Apoplexy,	Dublin, Ire.
" 31.	Patrick McBride,	70	10	0	Heart Disease and old age,	Ireland.
Aug 14,	William T. Hill,	71	6	15	Railway Accident,	Blackstone.
Oct. 3,	Francis M. Nelson,	35	9	5	Heart Disease,	Manch'sterN H
" 20,	Hamblet B. Fisk,	66	6	24	Chronic Bronchitis,	Bellingham.
" 26,	Antoine Morin,	60	0	11	Cancer of Stomach,	Quebec, Can.
Nov. 1,	Rachael Barney,	0	0	1	Infantile Debility.	Hopedale.
" 17,	Eliza A. Earle,	55	11	30	Nephritis,	Wrentham.
" 24,	Grace F. Dunn,	36	1	6	Uræmia,	Beverly, N. J.

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists, and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, Vol. I., Chap. 29.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the preceding month at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, and the name, place of birth, and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to, the father shall not be stated, except at the request in writing of both father and mother, filed with the return. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be

twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been properly reported to him. A physician or midwife who neglects to report such list on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall for each offence forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

Blanks can be obtained on application to the town clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

Hopedale, Dec. 31, 1904.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

School Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Teaching, Hopedale	$8,314 65	General	$14,500 00
Teaching, South Hopedale	555 20	New boiler for brick schoolhouse	950 00
Care, Hopedale	1,105 37	School property sold	53 91
Care, South Hopedale	43 25		
Fuel, Hopedale	1,553 83		
Fuel, South Hopedale	24 50		
Text-books	519 92		
Supervision	616 70		
Repairs	357 26		
Incidentals	682 62		
Transportation	656 25		
Improvements	60 43		
New boiler	920 82		
Balance	93 11		
	$15,503 91		$15,503 91
		Balances unexpended:—	
		General	$63 93
		New boiler	$29 18

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Park Commission in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation . . .	$2,500 00
Plans and surveys . . .	$144 00	Labor and material charged to sundry parties	404 77
Grading and seeding . .	13 63		
Bounds and fences . . .	13 48		
Trees and shrubs . . .	10 25		
Pay roll	1,258 51		
Tools	124 54		
Fertilizer	59 50		
Bath house	998 09		
Incidentals (See commissioners' report)	281 01		
Balance	1 76		
	$2,904 77		$2,904 77
		Balance unexpended . . .	$1 76

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Books	$520 91	General	$2,300 00
Periodicals	128 35	Grading and seeding	142 59
Binding	117 80	Dog taxes	194 74
Salaries	974 87	Fines, sale of books, etc.	158 50
Lighting	279 11	Income from Bancroft fund	40 00
Heating	368 00		
Sundries (See trustees' report)	446 79		
	$2,835 83		$2,835 83

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Highway Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz :—		By appropriations :—	
Labor and material used in general repairs	$5,700 95	General	$5,500 00
Sundries (See commissioners' report)	581 60	Watering streets	1,450 00
Watering streets	1,063 27	Repairs on Freedom street	1,000 00
Repairs, Freedom street	905 56	Repairs on Cemetery street	1,000 00
Repairs, Cemetery street	887 15	Street railway excise tax	144 66
Balance	1,711 98	Material and work furnished and charged to sundry parties	1,755 85
	$10,850 51		$10,850 51
		Unexpended balances :—	
		General	$1,117 96
		Watering	$386 73
		Freedom street	$94 44
		Cemetery street	$112 85

SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation	$1,000 00
Labor and material . . .	$2,148 85	Betterment assessments . .	676 85
		Balance	472 00
	$2,148 85		$2,148 85
Balance overdrawn . . .	$472 00		

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Fire Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Pay of members	$941 35	General	$1,825 00
Fuel	43 74	New hose	175 00
Water	11 00	Forest fires	100 00
Lights	19 89		
Hose	160 50		
Forest fires	92 74		
Telephones	57 63		
Sundries (See engineers' report)	601 86		
Balance	171 29		
	$2,100 00		$2,100 00
		Balances unexpended:—	
		General	$149 53
		New hose	$14 50
		Forest fires	$7 26

POOR DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To orders drawn, viz.: —		By appropriation	$1,200 00
Sundries (See overseers' report) .	$675 33	State of Massachusetts, pauper account	9 08
State of Massachusetts, pauper account	9 08	Town of Mendon . . .	11 63
Town of Franklin . . .	35 00	Town of Franklin . . .	35 00
Balance	579 01	J. A. Edmands	42 71
	$1,298 42		$1,298 42
		Balance unexpended . . .	$579 01

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

Incidental Department in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz. :—		
Salaries :—		
Selectmen	$200 00	
Selectmen's clerk	50 00	
Treasurer	100 00	
Town clerk	50 00	
Collector	237 51	
Assessors	202 50	
Registrars	110 00	
Auditor	20 00	
Election officials	32 00	
Cattle inspector	25 00	
Town counsel	200 00	
		$1,227 01
Stationery		31 51
Printing		249 68
Insurance		377 39
Soldiers' relief		12 00

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By appropriation :—	
General	$3,000 00
Court fines	27 72
Bound town reports	27 00
L. A. Lamson & Son, druggist's license	1 00
K. A. Campbell, culture tube	1 00
Milford Gas Light Co., fine for poor gas	100 00
Military burial	35 00

Court expenses	44 12		
Military burial (N. Durfee) . .	35 00		
Sundries (See selectmen's report) .	341 45		
Balance	873 56		
	$3,191 72		$3,191 72
		Balance unexpended . . .	$873 56

State Aid in account with E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To amount paid on orders and charged to state on 1904 account . .	$352 00	By amount received from state on 1903 account	$332 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Water Account.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn	$2,100 00	By appropriation	$2,100 00

Street Lighting Account.

To orders drawn	$2,507 46	By appropriation	$2,562 50
Balance	55 04		
	$2,562 50		$2,562 50
		Balance unexpended	$55 04

Memorial Day.

To order drawn	$50 00	By appropriation	$50 00

Interest Account.

To orders drawn	$1,075 37	By appropriation	$1,000 00
Balance	322 67	Interest on deposits	398 04
	$1,398 04		$1,398 04
		Balance unexpended	$322 67

Town Hall Account.

To orders drawn	$1,118 34	By appropriation	$500 00
Balance	208 66	1904 rents	827 00
	$1,327 00		$1,327 00
		Balance unexpended	$208 66

State and County Tax Account.

To state tax	$3,850 00	By appropriation	$9,500 00
County tax	5,387 00		
Balance	263 00		
	$9,500 00		$9,500 00
		Balance unexpended	$263 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer—Continued.

Tree Warden.

To orders drawn	$ 41 75	By appropriation	$500 00
Balance	458 25		
	$500 00		$500 00
		Balance unexpended	$458 25

CORPORATION, BANK AND STREET RAILWAY TAX in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To corporation tax, 1903 account	$ 138 10	By cash 1903 corporation tax	$ 138 10
Corporation tax, 1904 account	7,152 11	Cash 1904 corporation tax	7,152 11
Bank tax, 1904 account	6,464 82	Cash 1904 bank tax	6,464 82
Street railway tax, 1904 account	144 66	Cash 1904 street railway tax	144 66
	$13,899 69		$13,899 69

CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To balance of account . . .	$2,204 00	By balance from last account . .	$2,204 00

Detailed Account.

Burlingame lot	$100 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing lot . .	$150 00
Sarah M. Whipple . . .	100 00	P. W. Moody, account Lot 45 . .	50 00
Sally Whipple	100 00	W. G. Comstock	50 00
Margery Humphrey . . .	250 00	Mary J. Jacques	100 00
J. B. Bancroft	500 00	J. A. Edmands	100 00
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher . . .	150 00	George Scriven	65 00
S. B. Holbrook	100 00	George H. Cole	100 00
L. H. Ballou	200 00	Frank H. French . . .	75 00
Mary Draper	14 00		

TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

HOPE STREET EXTENSION LOAN in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

DR.		CR.	
To 1-year note paid Nov. 26, 1902 .	$10,000 00	By town notes given Rogers, Newman & Tolman, under vote of town dated July 12, 1901 for . . . Payable $10,000 each in 1, 2, and 3 years respectively, from Nov. 26, 1901, with interest at 3½ % . . [NOTE. Loan sold at a premium to make net interest rate stand at 3.39%.]	$30,000 00
2-years note paid Nov. 26, 1903 .	10,000 00		
3-years note paid Nov. 26, 1904 .	10,000 00		
	$30,000 00		$30,000 00

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS CHARGED TO SUNDRY PARTIES, UNPAID DEC. 31, 1904.

Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Street Railway Co., highway, 1904 account . . .	$9 90
State of Massachusetts, state aid	$352 00
State of Massachusetts, military burial	$35 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

E. D. Bancroft, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Hopedale.

Dr.			Cr.	
To balance from old account, viz. :—			By amounts paid :—	
Cemetery trust account	$ 2,204 00		Fire department	$1,928 71
Library trust account	1,000 00		Poor department	719 41
Balance general fund	13,073 47		Library department	2,835 83
		$16,277 47	School department	15,410 80
Collector, 1900 account		5 69	Highway department	9,138 53
Collector, 1902 account		3 99	Sidewalk department	2,148 85
Collector, 1903 account		104 86	Park department	2,903 01
Collector, 1904 account		47,522 21	Incidental department	2,318 16
Corporation tax, 1903 account		138 10	Water account	2,100 00
Corporation tax, 1904 account		7,152 11	Street lighting	2,507 46
Bank tax, 1904 account		6,464 82	Interest account	1,075 37
Street railway tax, 1904 account		144 66	Memorial Day	50 00
State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1903 account		332 00	Town Hall	1,118 34
State of Massachusetts, pauper account		9 08	State and county tax	9,237 00
Poor department, 1903 account		41 90	Tree warden	41 75
Poor department, 1904 account		89 34	State aid	352 00
Dog licenses, library account		194 74	Borrowed money	45,000 00
Library, Bancroft fund income		40 00	Hope street extension loan payment	10,000 00
			Balance	4,127 64

Library, fines, sale of books, etc.		158 50	
School department, property sold		53 91	
Highway department, 1903 account		57 15	
Highway department, 1904 account		2,422 80	
Town Hall, rents, etc., 1904 account		827 00	
Interest on deposits		398 04	
Court fines		27 72	
Bound town reports sold		27 00	
L. A. Lamson & Son, druggist's license		1 00	
Incidental department, 1903 account		8 00	
Incidental department, 1904 account		101 00	
Park department, 1903 account		5 00	
Park department, 1904 account		404 77	
Borrowed money		30,000 00	
		$113,012 86	$113,012 86
Balance to new account, viz.:—			
Cemetery trust account	$2,204 00		
Library trust account	1,000 00		
Balance general fund	923 64		
		$4,127 64	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS, AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1904.

	Appropriations.	Cash Receipts.	Amts. Unpaid.	Balances. Overdrawn.	Balances. Unexpended.
School department:—					
General,	$14,500 00	$ 53 91			$ 63 93
New boiler,	950 00				29 18
Library department:—					
General,	2,300 00	393 24			
Grading and seeding,	142 59				
Highway department:—					
General,	5,500 00	1,910 41	$ 9 90		1,117 96
Watering streets,	1,450 00				886 78
Sidewalks,	1,000 00	676 85		$472 00	
Repairs Freedom street,	1,000 00				94 44
Repairs Cemetery street,	1,000 00				112 85
Fire department:—					
General,	1,825 00				149 53
New hose,	175 00				14 50
Forest fires,	100 00				7 26
Incidental department,	3,000 00	191 72	35 00		873 56
Water account,	2,100 00				
Street lighting account,	2,562 50				55 04
Interest account,	1,000 00	398 04			322 67
Memorial Day account,	50 00				
Town Hall account,	500 00	827 00			208 66
State and county tax account,	9,500 00				263 00
Tree warden,	500 00				458 25
Poor department,	1,200 00	98 42			579 01
State aid,		332 00	352 00		
Park department,	2,500 00	404 77			1 76
Payment of town debt,	10,000 00				

Total receipts for the year	$96,735 39	
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1904	16,277 47	
		$113,012 86
Total cash expenditures on 1904 accounts		108,885 22
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1905		$4,127 64
Less library trust fund	$1,000 00	
Less cemetery trust fund	2,204 00	
		3,204 00
Balance to general fund as shown in cash report . . .		$923 64

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation		$3,000 00
Milford Gas Light Co.		100 00
L. A. Lamson & Son, license fee . .		1 00
Dr. K. A. Campbell, culture tube . .		1 00
Fines received from third district court .		27 72
Town reports sold		27 00
State of Massachusetts, account burial of Nathan Durfee		35 00
To D. A. Westcott, insurance . .	$377 39	
G. C. Adams, carriage for assessors .	10 00	
S. A Andrew, posting warrants, etc.	5 00	
A. F. Fairbanks, court services .	21 29	
Cromwell E. Fairbanks, court services	13 67	
Thomas Matthews, court services .	9 16	
Dr. K. A. Campbell, return of births .	8 50	
Dr. L. A. Smith, return of births .	75	
Dr. P. F. Gardiner, return of births .	2 25	
G. W. Wood, return of deaths .	4 75	
Emery & Wood, return of deaths .	2 50	
Hopedale Stable, putting up team for assessors	2 00	
A. F. Fairbanks, serving dog warrants	2 00	
W. H. Jordan, vital statistics .	38 00	
W. H. Jordan, sundries . .	3 75	
Thomas Bradley, for burial of Nathan Durfee	35 00	
L. A. Lamson & Son, supplies .	2 30	
E. A. Darling, sundries . .	50	

State of Massachusetts, account license	$ 25
H. W. Plympton & Co., binding town reports	30 00
Davoren's Express Co., express .	2 65
James M. Sullivan, rebinding town records	12 00
J. M. French, fumigating . .	9 40
J. M. French & Son, sundries .	8 68
W. S. Hague, sundries . .	6 05
S. M. Spencer & Son, police badges .	6 00
Pinkerton National Detective Agency, investigating post-office burglary	56 81
Wilfred Gaskill, labor at cemetery .	5 40
Tewksbury & Weir, repairing wires on Hope street . . .	3 15
Draper Co., sundries . . .	11 16
State board of health, culture tube .	1 00
J. M. French, special police duty .	12 90
E. A. Sherman, special police duty .	14 10
W. S. Hague, special police duty .	11 55
Samuel Snodgrass, special police duty	7 80
C. E. Fairbanks, special police duty .	7 80
C. L. Decoster, special police duty .	11 55
H. B. Leonard, special police duty .	12 30
Thomas Matthews, special police duty	12 30
Walter F. Durgin, special police duty	7 50
S. A. Staples, special police duty .	4 80
A. A. Messinger, services at polls .	5 00
C. E. Pierce, services at polls . .	5 00
S. A. Staples, services at polls .	3 00
Fred B. Sweet, services at polls .	3 00
Thomas Gaffney, services at polls .	3 00
George H. Sheldon, services at polls .	5 00
George H. Davis, services at polls .	3 00

Frank H. French, services at polls .	$ 5 00	
Printing	249 68	
Stationery	31 51	
J. A. Taft, lawyer's fee . .	4 00	
Nathan Durfee, soldiers' relief .	12 00	
Salaries:—		
A. A. Messinger, auditor . .	20 00	
E. S. Stimpson, collector of taxes .	237 51	
E. A. Darling, chairman of selectmen	100 00	
L. B. Gaskill, selectman . .	50 00	
J. M. French, selectman . .	50 00	
W. S. Hague, clerk of board of selectmen	50 00	
H. F. Searles, registrar . .	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, registrar . .	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, clerk for registrars	10 00	
W. H. Jordan, town clerk . .	50 00	
S. A. Staples, registrar . .	25 00	
W. H. Grayson, registrar . .	25 00	
J. A. Taft, town counsel . .	200 00	
William Bancroft, assessor .	70 00	
H. W. Bracken, assessor . .	40 00	
W. S. Hague, assessor . .	70 00	
W. S. Hague, extra labor, making duplicate set for state . .	22 50	
E. D. Bancroft, town treasurer .	100 00	
L. B. Gaskill, cattle inspector .	25 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	873 56	
	$3,191 72	$3,191 72

STATE AID.

To Julia A. Chipman . . .	$32 00
Sarah M. Merriam . . .	48 00
Harriet A. Bean . . .	48 00
Olive Wood	48 00
Alice Lowell	32 00

George H. Williams . . .	$72 00	
Frederick Whitney . . .	72 00	
By amount due from state . .		$352 00
	$352 00	$352 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

By appropriation		$50 00
To Post 22, G. A. R. . . .	$50 00	
	$50 00	$50 00

WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

By appropriation		$2,100 00
To Milford Water Co. . . .	$2,100 00	
	$2,100 00	$2,100 00

STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation		$2,562 50
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	$2,507 46	
Balance unexpended . . .	55 04	
	$2,562 50	$2,562 50

TAXES.

By appropriation		$9,500 00
To state tax	$3,850 00	
County tax	5,387 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	263 00	
	$9,500 00	$9,500 00

INTEREST.

By appropriation		$1,000 00
Interest on deposits		398 04
To Milford National bank . .	$ 37 50	
Milford Savings bank . .	515 63	
Hopedale Village cemetery . .	132 24	

Library trustees, on Bancroft trust fund	$ 40 00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, holders of Hope street extension loan notes	350 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	322 67	
	$1,398 04	$1,398 04

TOWN HALL.

By appropriation		$500 00
Rents		827 00
To Norris, Staples & Gould, labor and supplies	$ 37 37	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . .	56 78	
Hopedale Stable Co., coal . .	271 01	
Milford Water Co., water . .	59 51	
Swift B. Lyon, tuning piano . .	6 00	
School department, brushes . .	3 00	
Janitors	572 00	
Eldredge & Son, decorating post-office and setting glass . .	44 45	
Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries . .	6 47	
Park department, wood . .	5 75	
F. S. Flint, labor . . .	15 00	
L. A. Lamson & Son, sundries .	1 10	
G. E. Stimpson & Co., bookcases .	25 25	
Draper Co., sundries . . .	8 41	
Avery & Woodbury, re-seating one chair	1 50	
Howes & Howes, supplies . .	3 49	
G. H. Whittemore, 1 burner . .	1 25	
Balance unexpended . . .	208 66	
	$1,327 00	$1,327 00

TREE WARDEN.

By appropriation		$500 00
To Cook & Sons, posters . .	$ 2 75	

Highway deparment, labor on trees .	$ 39 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	458 25	
	$500 00	$500 00

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriations.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Totals.	Expended.	Unexpended Balances.
Incidentals,	$3,000 00		$191 72	$ 3,191 72	$ 2,318 16	$ 873 56
Street lights,	2,562 50			2,562 50	2,507 46	55 04
State aid,		$352		352 00	352 00	
Water for fires,	2,100 00			2,100 00	2,100 00	
Memorial Day,	50 00			50 00	50 00	
Interest,	1,000 00		398 04	1,398 04	1,075 37	322 67
State and county taxes,	9,500 00			9,500 00	9,237 00	263 00
Tree warden,	500 00			500 00	41 75	458 25
Town Hall,	500 00		827 00	1,327 00	1,118 34	208 66
			$1,381 76	$20,946 26	$18,800 08	$2,146 18

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1905.

Town House	$35,000 00
Town House store fixtures . . .	450 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street . . .	5,000 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale . . .	950 00
Schoolhouse, Dutcher street . . .	35,000 00
High school building	7,000 00
Public library	5,000 00
Bancroft Memorial library . . .	30,000 00
Town park property	20,000 00
New bath house	1,000 00
Pest house property	600 00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper fountain . .	15,000 00
	$155,000 00

Highway property:—

Stone crusher and engine . . .	$500 00
Road scraper	25 00

Three snow-plows	$ 40 00
Small tools	100 00
Two watering-carts	525 00
Eleven standpipes	180 00
Road roller	100 00
Buildings	650 00
1-horse tip cart	50 00
	$2,170 00

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR 1905.

Memorial Day	$ 50 00
Incidentals	3,000 00
Interest	500 00
Street lights	2,543 00
Water for fire purposes	2,100 00
State and county taxes	9,500 00
Town Hall	500 00
Support of poor	1,200 00
Tree warden	500 00

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

By appropriation		$1,200 00
Amount received from J. A. Edmands, account F. T. Edmands . . .		42 71
Amount received from Town of Mendon, account David Crowley . . .		11 63
Amount received from Town of Franklin, account Mrs. Eliza A. Earl . . .		35 00
Amount received from state of Massachusetts, account W. J. Lemier . .		9 08
To Town of Blackstone, burial of Modest Henry . . .	$ 24 50	
Town of Blackstone, care of Mrs. Modest Henry . . .	37 00	
Town of Mendon, account Maud Weatherhead . . .	72 00	
Town of Mendon, account Alice Staples	215 41	
Town of Milford, account Henry Edmands	78 00	
Town of Milford, account Curtis Claflin	156 00	
Town of Franklin, account Mrs. Eliza A. Earl	35 00	
Milford Hospital, account Mrs. Lorenza Luocini	10 50	
J. M. French, account W. J. Lemier, cash	1 00	
J. L. Mead, account W. J. Lemier, meats	2 05	
H. L. Patrick, account W. J. Lemier, groceries	6 03	

William Hogarth and family . .	$ 78 00	
Howes & Howes, account tramps .	3 92	
Balance unexpended . . .	579 01	
	$1,298 42	$1,298 42

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

No complaints.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Fence Viewers.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

There were 6 cases of scarlet fever and 3 cases of diphtheria, all of which received proper attention.

E. A. DARLING,
L. B. GASKILL,
J. M. FRENCH,
Board of Health.

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures For Year Ending December 31, 1904.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 31, 1904.

3 Fairbanks Platform Balances over 5000 lbs.
30 " " " under 5000 "
6 Howes " " " 5000 "
3 Butchers' scales.
5 Counter scales, Fairbanks.
7 Counter scales, Howes.
9 Counter Miscellaneous.

I have condemned three platform balances and one counter balance.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. MAYNARD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE:—

Gentlemen: I submit to you my report for the year as inspector. A general inspection of all cattle and swine and the premises where the same were kept was made during the year of 1904, and a written report of the condition of each barn and stable was sent to the state board of cattle commissioners.

Respectfully yours,

L. B. GASKILL,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

GENERAL REPAIRS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$5,500 00
Material sold		473 00
Work for outside parties (labor and material)		1,242 85
Street railway tax, returned by state		144 66
Rent of hose house		40 00
To labor	$4,689 37	
Material	1,011 58	
H. L. Patrick	167 00	
Town of Milford	160 94	
Hopedale Stable	90 71	
Draper Co.	56 16	
Clark Ellis & Sons	47 83	
Estate of A. Morin	21 82	
Z. C. Field	15 06	
Reade Mfg. Co.	5 00	
Tewksbury & Weir	4 90	
W. L. Beals	4 00	
Milford Water Co.	3 93	
Cook & Sons	2 00	
Henry Willard	1 66	
G. & U. R. R. Co.	59	
Unexpended balance	1,117 96	
	$7,400 51	$7,400 51

STREET WATERING.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation		$1,450 00
To running cart	$569 24	
Milford Water Co.	414 87	

Frank H. Marshall . . .	$ 70 00	
J. F. Damon	4 20	
Henry Willard . . .	3 46	
Estate of A. Morin . . .	1 50	
Unexpended balance . . .	386 73	
	$1,450 00	$1,450 00

SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation	.	$1,000 00
Assessments	.	676 85
To labor	$1,384 51	
Material	764 34	
By amount overdrawn . .		472 00
	$2,148 85	$2,148 85

FREEDOM STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation	.	$1,000 00
To labor	$439 60	
Material	440 40	
Draper Co.	25 56	
Unexpended balance . . .	94 44	
	$1,000 00	$1,000 00

CEMETERY STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation	.	$1,000 00
To labor	$314 51	
Material	565 49	
Draper Co.	7 15	
Unexpended balance . . .	112 85	
	$1,000 00	$1,000 00

SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENTS.	Appropriation.	Credit for Outside work, etc.	Total Credits.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended balance.	Exceeded Appropriation.
General repairs,	$5,500 00	$1,900 51	$7,400 51	$6,282 55	$1,117 96	
Street watering,	1,450 00		1,450 00	1,063 27	386 73	
Sidewalks,	1,000 00	676 85	1,676 85	2,148 85		$472 00
Freedom street,	1,000 00		1,000 00	905 56	94 44	
Cemetery street,	1,000 00		1,000 00	887 15	112 85	
Totals,	$9,950 00	$2,577 36	$12,527 36	$11,287 38	$1,711 98	$472 00

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. E. PIERCE,
GEO. A. DRAPER,
CLARE H. DRAPER,
Road Commissioners, Town of Hopedale.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Report of the Board of Engineers of the Hopedale Fire Department for the Year Ending December 31, 1904, Giving a List and Value of Property, Names of Members and Number of Fires.

PROPERTY.

One hose house	$1,200 00	
One hose wagon	300 00	
One hose wagon	85 00	
One hook and ladder truck (with ladders)	175 00	
4150 ft. hose (3800 ft. in good condition, 350 ft. unreliable) . . .	1,050 00	
Arrow-gun and fire escape . .	10 00	
Three harnesses, shovels, etc. . .	25 00	
Fire alarm telegraph complete . .	1,500 00	
		$4,345 00

HYDRANTS.

Forty hydrants, located as follows:—

Eight on Hopedale street.
Four on Adin street.
Three on West Main street.
Seven on Dutcher street.
Four on Freedom street.
One at counting room.
One near high school.
Two on Prospect street.
One in yard rear of foundry.
Four on Bancroft parkway.
Two on Progress street.
One on Cemetery street.
One on Hope street.
One in yard near screw shop.

ENGINEERS.

George W. Jenkins, chief. Charles E. Pierce, 1st assistant.
Fred B. Sweet, clerk and treasurer.

MEMBERS.

Hose 2.

Fred G. Crockett, foreman.
T. F. Gaffney, 2d assistant.
Allen Whitney.
M. Higgiston, 1st assistant.
P. J. Manuel, clerk.
Daniel Gorman.

Hose 3.

J. B. Chapin, foreman and treasurer.
J. E. Andrews, 1st assistant.
W. N. Draper, 2d assistant.
W. C. Hastings, clerk.
Benj. Adkins.
F. L. Arnold.
Henry Crawford.
Wm. E. Whitney.
W. F. Durgin.
T. H. Craddock.
George Bayley.
J. C. Mathews.
Dwight Cummings.

PAY OF MEMBERS, INCIDENTALS, ETC.

By general appropriation . . .		$1,825 00
To pay of chief engineer . . .	$ 73 04	
Pay of assistant chief . . .	48 00	
Pay of clerk	48 00	
Robert Ross, fire police . .	20 00	
Pay of Hose 2	187 69	
Pay of Hose 3	369 00	
Charles Bagley, steward . .	50 00	
W. H. Nelson, electrician . .	102 50	
Edes Mfg. Co., zincs . . .	42 75	
Norris, Staples & Gould, pipes and repairs	5 25	
G. A. Sherborne, express . .	1 20	
Wm. Davoren, express and carting .	10 63	
W. D. Stearns, repairs Hose 2 .	50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rent of telephones	57 63	
J. T. Crowell, 3 straps . . .	1 83	

Milford Water Co., water rent . .	$ 11 00	
Hopedale Stable, fuel . . .	43 74	
Hopedale Stable, expense man at barn	323 50	
Hopedale Stable, insurance . .	40 00	
Hopedale Stable, teams to fires .	15 00	
Tewksbury & Weir, repairs fire alarm	8 80	
Burt Crockett, services at fires .	5 00	
Patrick Fitzgerald, services at fires .	2 50	
George W. Jenkins, expense repairing ladder	25	
F. B. Sweet, postage, express, etc. .	2 67	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . .	19 89	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., blue rock .	58 50	
E. S. Stimpson, collector, poll tax .	43 12	
Draper Co., sundries . . .	6 89	
T. E. Morse, paint . . .	2 50	
J. F. Damon, testing extinguisher .	1 00	
Cook & Sons, printing . . .	5 50	
P. J. Manuel, repairs Hose 2 . .	4 85	
Highway department, rent Hose house 2	40 00	
Pettingell-Andrews Co., battery coppers	4 00	
Clark Ellis & Sons, repairs Hose 2 .	1 20	
Tewksbury & Weir, 1 pair tree cutters	3 50	
J. M. French & Son, teams to fires .	2 50	
J. F. Damon, chief, account Gleason fire	10 00	
H. L. Patrick, lantern, broom, etc. .	1 54	
Balance unexpended	149 53	
		$1,825 00

BRUSH FIRES.

By appropriation		$100 00
To G. W. Jenkins, money expended, brush fires	$ 5 25	
W. H. Nelson, 4 hours' time . .	1 00	

J. B. Chapin, account brush fire April 3	$ 7 25	
F. G. Crockett, account brush fire April 3	2 00	
Hopedale Stable, teams	15 00	
J. B. Chapin, account brush fire April 6	9 83	
W. J. Kelly, forest fireward	1 66	
H. K. Barnes, extinguishers, cans, and bottles	45 75	
J. M. French & Son, teams	5 00	
Balance unexpended	7 26	
		$100 00

HOSE.

By appropriation		$175 00
To H. K. Barnes, 300 ft. ¾-in. hose and nozzles	$ 30 50	
C. Callahan Co., 250 ft. Mayflower hose	130 00	
Balance unexpended	14 50	
		$175 00

RECAPITULATION.

By general appropriation		$1,825 00
Appropriation for hose		175 00
Appropriation for brush fires		100 00
To pay of engineers and members	$941 35	
Incidentals	734 12	
Expenditures for hose	160 50	
Expenditures for brush fires	92 74	
Balance unexpended	171 29	
	$2,100 00	$2,100 00

RECORD OF FIRES.

April 3.—Brush fire, South Milford. Department not needed.

April 4.—Brush fire, land of George Otis Draper.

April 6.—Box 38. Old ice house.

April 6.—Brush fire, land of Draper Co. and park land.

April 6.—Brush fire, land of E. S. Draper near high school.

April 18.—Brush fire, rear of H. F. Searles', Freedom street. Box 38 rung in.

Nov. 20.—Brush fire, land of Wm. F. Draper, rear Main street.

During fire of April 6, sparks from ice house ignited roof of house of Draper Co., and also roof of house of Mrs. W. R. Dennett, entailing a very slight damage.

The department have extinguished several brush and chimney fires during the year for which no alarm has been rung, and one chimney fire at South Milford was extinguished by Milford fire department.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

Box 25.—Yard of Draper Company, near counting-room.

Box 26.—Hopedale street, corner of hose house.

Box 32.—Dutcher street, corner of Dennett street.

Box 38.—Dutcher street, corner of Freedom street.

Box 42.—Bancroft parkway.

Box 45.—Freedom street, west of dam.

Box 53.—Hopedale street, corner of Adin street.

Box 57.—Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.

Box 59.—Main street, near house of S. A. Andrew.

Box 62.—Hopedale street, corner of Main street.

Box 64.—Westcott's mill, Spindleville.

School signal, 22, near counting-room of Draper Company.

Keys at houses near boxes.

The board has continued arrangement with the Hopedale Stable to keep a man at the barn nights, Sundays, and holidays, and has also been required to pay forty dollars ($40) to

insure their drivers against accident in responding to an alarm of fire.

For 1905 we would recommend the following appropriations:—

General appropriation	$1,475 00
Brush fires	$100 00
Hose	$200 00

If arrangement with Hopedale Stable is continued, we shall require an extra appropriation of $400.

All equipments of the department are in good working order.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. JENKINS,
CHAS. E. PIERCE,
FRED B. SWEET,
Board of Engineers.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1904.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land	$1,182,900 00	
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings	247,430 00	
Total valuation of real estate	$1,430,330 00	
Total valuation of personal estate	3,298,832 00	
Total valuation		$4,729,162 00
Increase in 1904		$176,574 00
Tax rate per $1000		$10 00
Tax on property		$47,291 62
Number of polls taxed	701	
Tax on each	$2.00	
Tax on polls		1,402 00
Total tax		$48,693 62
Bank tax for 1904		6,464 82
Corporation tax for 1904		7,152 11
Available tax		$62,310 55
Increase in 1904		$1,597 74
Number of persons assessed		788
Number of persons assessed on property		242
Number of persons assessed for poll tax only		571
Number of polls assessed		701
Number of horses assessed		135
Number of cows assessed		94

Number of neat cattle assessed	7
Number of swine assessed	8
Number of dwelling houses	355
Acres of land assessed . . .	2,782 A. 89 Rods
Population	1,926
Decrease of population last year . . .	71

WILLIAM BANCROFT,
H. W. BRACKEN,
WILLIAM S. HAGUE,
Board of Assessors.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1900.	Dr.	Cr.
To uncollected taxes . . .	$564 19	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 5 69
Taxes abated		98 50
Uncollected taxes . . .		460 00
	$564 19	$564 19
1901.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$481 12	
By taxes abated . . .		$ 69 20
Uncollected taxes . . .		411 92
	$481 12	$481 12
1902.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$311 20	
Interest	99	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$ 3 99
Taxes abated		69 20
Uncollected taxes . . .		239 00
	$312 19	$312 19
1903.		
To uncollected taxes . . .	$445 64	
Interest	3 95	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$104 86
Taxes abated . . .		69 00
Uncollected taxes . . .		275 73
	$449 59	$449 59

1904.

To taxes committed for collection .	$48,693 62	
Interest	52	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		$47,522 21
Discounts		951 38
Uncollected taxes . . .		220 55
	$48,694 14	$48,694 14

STREET RAILWAY TAXES UNCOLLECTED.

Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co., excise tax	$64 99
Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Street Railway Co., excise tax . . .	$51 25

E. S. STIMPSON,
Collector.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1904 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts. The treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditure.

Respectfully submitted,

ADIN A. MESSINGER,
Auditor.

FRONT DOOR STEP OF

THE OLD HOUSE

ORIGINALLY LOCATED
426 FEET N 70° WEST
FROM THIS SPOT
BUILT BY JOHN JONES
ABOUT 1700
ENLARGED 1735
AND RAZED 1874
IN IT WAS ORGANIZED
IN 1741 THE SECOND
CHURCH OF MENDON
FIRST MEETING OF THE
HOPEDALE COMMUNITY
HELD IN THE WEST
ROOM MAR 24 1842

THE BATH HOUSE.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

Town of Hopedale,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1904.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,	Term expires 1905
FRANK J. DUTCHER,	" " 1906
CHARLES F. ROPER,	" " 1907

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

By general appropriation			$2,500 00
Received for wood			364 90
Received for labor			39 87
To plans and surveys:—			
Manning Brothers		$144 00	
Grading and seeding:—			
C. W. Greenway	$ 12 83		
Clark Ellis & Sons	80		
		13 63	
Fertilizer:—			
Clark Ellis & Sons		59 50	
Bounds and fences:—			
C. B. Merrill & Co.		13 48	
Trees and shrubs:—			
W. B. Whittier & Co.		10 25	
Incidentals:—			
G. C. Greenway, drawing wood	$ 20 50		
Draper Company, labor, etc.	46 76		
W. H. Johnson, teaming	72 90		
G. M. Billings, printing	9 50		
J. E. Wallace, sawing wood	38 85		
A. Morin, repairs	9 50		
J. M. French & Son, mowing and loam	14 50		
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co. freight	1 75		
Adams Express Co.	15		
Wright & Ditson, athletic goods	38 60		
Clark Ellis & Sons, hardware	10 06		
Milford Water Co.	4 00		
Howes & Howes, grain	8 54		

School department, flag .	$2 60		
Tewksbury & Weir, electric work . .	2 80		
		$ 281 01	
Bath house:—			
J. H. Sherman . .	$535 48		
Z. C. Field . . .	372 65		
Draper Company . .	11 92		
Clark Ellis & Sons .	78 04		
Chapman & Frazer .	50 00		
		1,048 09	
Pay roll:—			
E. D. Bancroft, treasurer . .		1,258 51	
Tools:—			
Clark Ellis & Sons .	$ 73 78		
Draper Company . .	76	74 54	
		$2,903 01	
Balance unexpended . . .		1 76	
		$2,904 77	$2,904 77

The park commissioners were allowed the regular appropriation of $2,500 at the March meeting, although contemplating a very large proportionate outlay for new bath house facilities. Plans were made for this bath house, with the idea of using lumber from the old ice house for a large part of the frame and sheathing. During the taking down of the old ice house, the building caught fire, burning so rapidly as to endanger the men on the roof, and also preventing the removal of the tools and implements stored therein. The extra expense involved in building the bath house on account of this loss, and the added loss of the tools themselves, approximated a total of $300, and there was no insurance. The bath house was ready for use early in the season, and has been very well patronized. Mr. Durgin, our superintendent, has been in charge, and has kept the actual detail of the number of baths taken and the parties having baths. The total for

the season figures 1971, the greatest number in any one day being 79.

We have adopted the following set of rules for bathers and superintendent:—

HOPEDALE, Mass., June 24, 1904.

This bath house will be open until further notice from 3.30 to 5.30 and from 6.30 to 7.30 p. m., except Sundays and holidays and days on which the weather is unsuitable for bathing.

The flag will be shown when the bath house is open to the public.

The building and premises are in charge of Mr. Walter F. Durgin, park superintendent.

Parties desiring to have use of the conveniences of the bath house must make application to Mr. Durgin, and give their names and residences.

The small lockers will be rented on a basis of $1.50 each for the season, and 50 cents of this amount will be returned when key is returned to the park superintendent.

No charge will be made for the use of the dressing-rooms. No one will be allowed to undress and dress in the large rooms outside of the dressing-rooms.

Mr. Durgin has instructions to see that all general park rules and regulations or special regulations in regard to the bath house, or bathing, or town by-laws on the subject of bathing are strictly enforced.

Bathing will not be allowed from any point on park territory except from the bath house. Special attention is called to Articles 7 and 8 of the town by-laws which read as follows:—

"No person in a state of nudity shall bathe in any of the waters of the town between the hours of sunrise and sunset in places exposed to public view or in the vicinity of any dwelling-house."

"Any person guilty of a violation of these by-laws, shall pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence; and all fines so recovered shall be paid into the town treasury."

It is expected that people availing themselves of the privilege of the bath house will do everything possible to assist in keeping the building and vicinity in neat and good condition.

The playground was given over for use as usual by Draper Company employees for their field day, and it has also been used by organized ball teams, both for baseball, Rugby,

and Association football. The latter game is quite a novelty in this section, and has proved most interesting for players and spectators alike. The two tennis courts have been in almost constant use during proper playing weather.

In view of the disorder attending band concert evenings in the past, the park commissioners felt it necessary to take special precautions to prevent such annoyance during the present season. It is, of course, essential that quiet and order be preserved, to enable those who enjoy music to hear it properly, and we are glad to note a decided improvement in these essentials.

We are continuing trimming and thinning on our wood properties during the winter months, the sale of the wood about balancing the expense. We have not been able to make any other real estate improvements, owing to the limitations of our appropriation, and the fire loss previously noted. We hope to be able to make it more convenient for the public to obtain access to the pond side properties in the near future. The upper end is now well reached from Hazel street, the side street leading off of the Upton road beyond the intersection of Dutcher street and West street, but the lower end of our property is somewhat swampy in places, necessitating more or less in the way of culverts and filling to even allow a proper foot-path to be laid out. The electric cars now stop on request near the picnic grounds at the upper end of the park, and we hope that a greater majority of the citizens will visit this property and appreciate the great improvement that has been made.

In our last report, we mentioned the advisability of a descriptive tablet for the doorstep of the old house, which is now preserved in the Ballou Memorial park. The expense of the same was found to be beyond the resources of the park fund, but private subscriptions have enabled a very appropriate bronze tablet to be procured.

We believe the prohibition of hunting within the park territory is producing good results, and in order to make this territory a still better refuge for game birds and songsters,

our superintendent has left more or less grain in certain sections during the winter months.

Believing that the park expense is for the advantage of a great majority of our citizens, and that they have ratified past expenditure by marked appreciation, we ask for an appropriation of $2500 for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. ROPER,
FRANK J. DUTCHER,
GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,
Board of Park Commissioners.

Nineteenth Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1904.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

HOWARD W. BRACKEN, Chairman . . . 1906
FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary . . . 1907
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER 1905

HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent.

[Office hours: Dutcher street building, Thursdays, 3 to 5.]

TRUANT OFFICERS.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR, SAMUEL SNODGRASS,
SILAS A. STAPLES.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 14 and 16.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Available for Use of the School Department.

General appropriation . . .	$14,500 00	
Supplies and materials sold . .	53 91	
		$14,553 91

Orders Drawn on the Town Treasurer.

Teaching:—	
Hopedale, including high school .	$8,314 65
South Hopedale . . .	555 20
Care of buildings:—	
Hopedale	$1,105 37
South Hopedale . . .	43 25
Fuel:—	
Hopedale	$1,553 83
South Hopedale . . .	24 50
Text-books and supplies . .	519 92
Repairs:—	
Hopedale:	
Eldredge & Son, painting . .	3 10
P. & J. Tierney, pump packings .	1 30
Draper Co., material, labor, etc. .	133 95
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	66 35
Powers Regulator Co. . .	39 89
C. Ellis & Sons, hardware, etc. .	3 98
George A. Barnard, labor . .	4 27
F. W. Foster Mfg. Co., grate .	5 50
Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Co., window repairs . .	75 00
South Hopedale:—	
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	6 43
C. Ellis & Sons, hardware, etc., .	17 49
Supervision:—	
H. F. Taylor	616 70
Transportation:—	
J. M. French & Son . . .	656 25

Improvements:—		
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	$ 13 43	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, new desks	47 00	
Incidentals:—		
H. L. Frost & Co., labor on trees .	2 25	
C. Ellis & Sons, hardware, fertilizer, etc.	96 98	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . .	27 03	
Howes & Howes, supplies . .	10 38	
L. A. Lamson & Son, supplies .	10 25	
H. F. Taylor, expenses, etc. . .	44 79	
T. C. Thurlow, shrubs . .	5 00	
J. M. French & Son, teaming .	10 18	
Milford Water Co., water . .	104 30	
Heliotype Printing Co., stationery .	9 00	
R. Folger, rubber stamps . .	37	
G. M. Billings, printing, including school report . . .	24 25	
Samuel Snodgrass, expenses .	1 53	
Draper Co., material and labor .	24 58	
J. A. Joel & Co., flags . .	10 20	
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	11 19	
S. B. Lyon, tuning pianos . .	23 50	
George W. Green, floor brushes .	35 70	
Hartford S. B. I. & Insp. Co., boiler insurance	76 50	
Thomas Groom & Co., order book .	12 00	
Blodgett Clock Co., repairing and electrical supplies . . .	13 68	
Cook & Sons, printing . .	4 00	
Avery & Woodbury, reseating chairs	21 90	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., laboratory apparatus . . .	83 23	
Ward's N.S. Est., geological specimens	14 50	
A. J. Lloyd & Co., thermometers .	3 75	
Alden Speares' Sons Co., oil . .	1 58	
Balance unexpended . . .	63 93	
	$14,553 91	$14,553 91

New Boiler Account.

Appropriation		$950 00
Orders drawn on the Town Treasurer:—		
Carpenter & Jefferson, new boiler and setting . . .	$807 45	
Hopedale Stable, carting . .	10 50	
H. H. Lent, carpentry . .	51 36	
Draper Co., material and labor .	51 51	
Balance unexpended . . .	29 18	
	$950 00	$950 00

This report includes all bills contracted for the year 1904. The new boiler voted at the last March meeting was furnished and set during the summer vacation, and the total expense, including the necessary changes incidental, was $920.82, or $29.18 less than the appropriation. Although we have had no weather during the present winter that corresponded with the worst of the winter one year ago, we do not think there will be the slightest difficulty in heating the building easily under any weather conditions.

For the coming year there will probably be repairs to be made on the high school building, to care for leaks that have been developing, which will involve new shingles on most of the roof. This building will also need painting. We recommend for the year 1905 the same appropriation as last year, namely: $14,500, this to include transportation of children from South Hopedale, continuation of kindergarten, and all other regular school expenses.

For the school committee,

FRANK J. DUTCHER,
Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee of Hopedale:—

I herewith submit my third report, which is the eleventh annual report of the superintendent of schools.

If, as I believe, the purpose of a superintendent's report is to acquaint the citizens with the condition and progress of our schools, this report could be made unusually brief, because the townspeople were invited to judge for themselves of our school work at the public exhibition held last June. That more than five hundred people accepted the invitation during the two afternoons and evenings it was held, speaks well for the interest of the community in the schools. The work exhibited covered the children's efforts in all branches, but was in no sense show-work, as every child was represented by the daily work he had done. The written work was in nearly every case the first draft, the teachers being requested to mark all work re-written, "second copy." The many expressions of approval heard from the parents would seem to indicate that the work was well done, but as this testimony was necessarily biased, it was gratifying to have teachers and school officials from other towns commend the exhibition.

Much effort was expended the past year in endeavoring to secure from each individual pupil the best work of which he was capable. At the high school this attempt was greatly aided by your voting that "no pupil who failed to satisfactorily complete ten hours' work, exclusive of drawing, out of the sixteen hours required, should be allowed to enter the next higher class." Notification of your action was sent to each home, and the results have been satisfactory. The teachers in the grades have also striven to secure painstaking, thorough work, putting a premium on self-reliance, believing that in the world which the child will soon enter there is a steady de-

mand for people who do the tasks set for them in a thorough, finished manner.

This year for the first time since a ninth grade was introduced in Hopedale, there are four classes at the high school. As some of the pupils are preparing for college the number of classes is greater than two teachers can handle to the best advantage. While the building is ill adapted to the work of three teachers, I would recommend that a teacher be secured for at least a part of the time next year.

There have been some changes in the teaching force this year. Miss Taylor resigned from the eighth grade and Miss Rogers was transferred from the seventh to fill the vacancy. Miss Mary Forbes of Holbrook was elected to the seventh grade. Miss Forbes is a teacher of experience and is doing excellent work. Miss Bartlett resigned from the second grade to accept a position at Newton. She had given six years of most efficient service to Hopedale schools and her resignation was a source of regret. Miss Day was transferred from the sixth grade to the second at her request, and is well adapted to work with the younger children. Miss Alice S. Morrison, with several years' experience in the schools of Attleboro, was elected to the sixth grade. The wisdom of the choice has been amply demonstrated. Miss Herrick of Burlington, Vermont, was elected teacher of drawing, succeeding Miss Robinson, who resigned to be married. Miss Robinson was by training and disposition a superior teacher of drawing. Her loss was a serious one to our schools. Your corps as now constituted is, I believe, an unusually efficient one, and I trust it may be retained without change.

This report would be incomplete without mentioning the most helpful talk given the teachers on "The Use of Our Library," by the librarian of the Bancroft Memorial Library at the library building. Thanks for this and many other kindnesses to the teachers are tendered Miss Sornborger.

Thanks are also extended to Rev. Lewis G. Wilson for his gift of mounted specimens of birds presented to the high school.

A comparison of the statistics for 1903 and 1904 shows

a gain in the things desirable and a loss in the things undesirable.

The total enrolment is greater by seven, average membership by the same number, average daily attendance greater by thirteen, and per cent of attendance by one and thirty-nine hundredths per cent. The tardy marks decreased by forty-one, the dismissals by four, and there were but one half as many corporal punishments. The average number belonging, including kindergarten, was three hundred thirty-two, with an average daily attendance of three hundred twelve.

In closing I wish to thank the teachers, the committee, and the townspeople for assistance and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. TAYLOR,
Superintendent of Schools.

MUSIC TEACHER'S REPORT.

Mr. H. F. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools:—

In the department of music no changes of importance have taken place during the past year. The same principles must be taught, and it is our constant endeavor to find the best way of presenting and applying these principles, that the work may be more satisfactory from year to year. As in the past, we have met with encouragement and encountered difficulties.

Classes vary, and when one grade will do excellent work, the same teacher may be unable, with even more effort, to get as good results from the following class. However, I am able to report gratifying progress during the year.

From the lowest grade to the high school, the pupils have been enthusiastic and responsive. Marked improvement has been made by the eighth and ninth grades under the able direction of Miss Rogers. At the beginning of the school year a new book was purchased for the high school, and has proved a success.

I have nothing but praise for the faithfulness with which the teachers have performed their part of the work, and to their efforts is due very largely the amount of success which has been attained.

LILLIAN E. WOOD,
Supervisor of Music.

DRAWING TEACHER'S REPORT.

Hopedale, Mass., January 30, 1905.

Mr. H. F. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools:—

The report which I present herewith begins with the work of September, 1904, and extends over a period of five school months.

During September fall flowers were drawn in color in all the grades. In October fruits claimed our attention. November was given to the representation of vegetables, and in the lower grades, the last weeks of the month found us making Thanksgiving souvenirs. We approached the December work by a course in lettering and the designing of initials, this work culminating in the construction of Christmas gifts and souvenirs. January has concentrated our thought upon the mechanical dawing, represented in the primary grades merely by simple construction and the drawing and cutting of geometric shapes.

During December and January picture study has been carried on in some of the grades and will soon be taken up by several others.

The high school classes have been pursuing work similar to that followed in the grades, with this variation; pen and ink drawing has been systematically studied by the senior class, not only by practice, but also by observation of good technique as shown in the work of the best illustrators.

The freshman and sophomore classes have pursued two lines of work: First, a course in free-hand drawing in color; and second, a course in mechanical drawing, consisting of geometric problems and orthographic projection.

The history of art teaches us that the artists who studied nature in her haunts and who kept free from slavish imitation of masters or the traditions of the schools, contributed most to

the legacy of the imperishable in art which we now possess. During the spring months, we purpose drawing and painting directly from nature specimens gathered by the pupils.

In closing, we would return thanks to the teachers and children for all their efforts to make the drawing a success.

Very respectfully submitted,

ELLA K. HERRICK,
Supervisor of Drawing.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 30, 1904.

MR. HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:—

Four cases of truancy have required my services during the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufactories.

Respectfully yours,

SAMUEL SNODGRASS,
Truant Officer.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1904.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	WHERE FITTED.
High,			
Principal,	Arthur C. Johnson,	Nov., 1902,	Harvard University.
Assistant,	Edith Goddard,	Sept., 1903,	Rhode Island State College Bridgewater Normal.
Dutcher Street,			
Principal, Grade 9	J. Angelina Smith,	Jan., 1900,	Framingham Normal.
Grade 8,	Bertha M. Rogers,	Sept., 1903,	Worcester Normal.
Grade 7,	Mary Forbes,	Sept., 1904,	Nova Scotia Academy.
Grade 6,	Alice S. Morrison,	Sept., 1904,	Smith College.
Grade 5,	Eliza D. Howes,	Sept., 1901,	Hyannis Normal.
Grade 4,	Florence A. Belding,	Feb., 1904,	Fitchburg Normal.
Grade 3,	Kate B. Cristman,	Feb., 1900,	Framingham Normal.
Grade 2,	Cora A. Day,	Sept., 1901,	Fitchburg Normal.
Grade 1,	Ellen H. McNair,	Sept., 1902,	Framingham Normal.
Kindergarten,	Anna B. Carter,	Sept., 1898,	Wheelock School.
	Mabel F. Andrew,	June, 1897,	Wheelock School.
South Hopedale,	Alice G. Phemister,	Sept., 1902,	Perry Kindergarten Normal
Drawing,	Ella K. Herrick,	Sept., 1904,	Teachers' College.
Music,	Lillian E. Wood,	Sept., 1899.	

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1904-1905.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 12, 1904	Dec. 16	Jan. 2, 1905	Mar. 24	April 10	June 16
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 6, 1904	Dec. 16	Jan. 2, 1905	Mar. 31	April 10	June 16
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 6, 1904	Dec. 23	Jan. 2, 1905	Mar. 31	April 10	June 23

Holidays:—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, April 19, May 30.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1905-1906.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 11, 1905	Dec. 15	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 23	Apr. 9'06	June 15
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 5, 1905	Dec. 15	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 30	Apr. 9'06	June 15
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 5, 1905	Dec. 22	Jan. 1, 1906	Mar. 30	Apr. 9'06	June 22

Holidays :—

Labor day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, April 19, May 30.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SEPTEMBER, 1903, TO JUNE, 1904.

ENROLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.	KINDERGARTEN.	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	GRADE IX.	HIGH.	SOUTH HOPEDALE.	SUMMARY (Exclusive of Kindergarten).
Total enrolment . .	32	35	38	26	35	32	30	27	28	25	37	30	343
Average number belonging	28.67	30.97	32.75	23.23	33.28	29.74	25.75	23.98	26.04	22.41	29.6	26.73	303.48
Average daily attendance	25.78	29.01	31.10	21.57	31.44	28.62	24.45	22.56	25.11	20.92	27.4	24.15	286 33
Per cent of attendance .	89.93	93.67	94.96	92.85	94.46	96.23	94.94	94.09	96.4	93.31	92.6	90.1	94.34
Total days of absence .	519	359	297	299	335	196.5	230.5	268.5	174.5	277.5	417	337.5	3191
Cases of tardiness . .	14	49	12	7	18	12	23	14	24	35	18	23	235
Cases of dismissal . .	1	10	4	15	21	14	14	37	42	34	46	6	257
Cases of truancy . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
Cases of corporal punishment	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	8
Visits by Superintendent .	24	18	16	17	19	16	17	20	18	27	18	14	200
Visits by others . .	98	41	54	49	35	13	15	11	15	19	28	17	297

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Number under five years of age (Kindergarten)	13	8	21
Number between 5 and 15	135	156	291
Number between 7 and 14	103	109	212
Number over 15	19	26	45
School Census, September 1, 1904:—			
Number of children in town between 5 and 15	132	132	264
Number of children in town between 7 and 14	78	100	178
Population of town, May 1, 1904	.	.	1926
Per cent of children between 5 and 15 to total population	.	.	13.7

ROLL OF HONOR.

FIFTEEN TERMS.

Silas Williams—High.

SIX TERMS.

Harold Brown—Grade VII.
Hattie Durgin—Grade VI.
Florence Dow—Grade V.

FIVE TERMS.

Elsie Dow—Grade V.
Walter Pickard—Grade IV.
Donald McCaslin—Grade II.

THREE TERMS.

Helen Sadler, Warren Henry—High.

Clifton Albee, Arthur D. Durgin, Elizabeth A. Noyes—Grade VIII.

Gilbert Arnold—Grade VI.

Frank Bromley, Harry Crawford, Raymond Sadler—Grade V.

Carrie Durgin—Grade IV.

Grace Dow—Grade II.

Goldie Gilmore, George Shepard, Vincent Fagan—Grade I.

WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

Percy W. Pickard—Grade IX.

Marion Cook—Grade VI.

Margaret Burke, Annie Newman—Grade V.

Andrew Martin—Grade II.

Annie Roeltgen—Grade I.

Alice Gorham, Mary Gorham, Winifred Gorham—South Hopedale.

FALL TERM.

Edith Chichester, Jeannie Howie, Harlow Adkins, Ruth Henry, Edith Lowell, Harry Newman—High.

Helen Howe, Irene Kellogg, Gertrude Rockwell, William Brown, A. Freeman Messinger—Grade IX.

Wallace Heskey, Albert Knox, Margaret Steere—Grade VIII.

Leila Fiske, Bertha Meade, Ethel Northrop, Edith Scriven, Estella Stafford, Gertrude Williams, Arthur Chambers, Raymond Davis—Grade VII.

Ada Munyon, Ruth Stafford, Gordon Andrew, Milton Leonard—Grade VI.

Beatrice Britten, Marion Smith, Henning Danielson, Horace Tillotson—Grade V.

Dorothy Cook, Bessie Dow, Ethel Knight, Esther Lincoln, Bertha Sears, Jack Manuel, Earle Roberts—Grade IV.

Vivian Scott, Harold Hogarth, Louis Laventure, William Northrop—Grade III.

Mary Cundy, Nellie Knight, May Noyes, Annie Sears, Mabel Tempest, Stephen Broughey, John Burke, Raphael Markham, Harold Spaulding—Grade II.

Gladys Galloway, Mary Monhen—Grade I.

Arthur Sweet, Ruth Andrew, Helen Burke, Bertha Tillotson, Charles Knight—Kindergarten.

Wilder Gardiner—South Hopedale.

WINTER TERM.

Roy H. Gaskill, Sophia Greenwood—High.

Helen Howe—Grade IX.

Henry Bromley, Clifford Cook, Albert Knox, Wilfred Pickard, Florence Forbes—Grade VIII.

Irene Gaskill, Bertha Meade, Bertha Remick, Gertrude Williams, Lillian Worthen, Leila Fiske—Grade VII.

Grace Tillotson—Grade VI.

Charles Dion, Charles Williams—Grade V.

Earle Roberts, Jack Manuel, Dorothy Cook—Grade IV.

Mildred Nutting—Grade III.

Lola Dustin—Grade II.

Ruth Andrew, Bertha Tillotson, George Nichols—Kindergarten.

SPRING TERM.

Harlow Adkins, George Clifford—High.

A. Freeman Messinger, William Brown, Pearl Whitney, Eleonora Sonne—Grade IX.

Norman Henry, Wendell Howie, Marion Welch—Grade VIII.

Hazel Brown, Edith Scriven, Fred Farrington, Harold Wilcox—Grade VII.

Gordon Andrew, Milton Leonard, Esther Andrew, Ruth Stafford—Grade VI.

Mildred Andrew, Bessie Dow, Marion Tarbox, Frank O'Neil—Grade IV.

Ethel Spofford, Herbert Bull, Harry Davis, Ellsworth Howie, Louis Laventure—Grade III.

Harold Spaulding, Dean Nealley, John Burke, Raphael Markham, Mary Cundy, Margaret Dillon, Nellie Knight, Pearl Sweet, Hattie Wyman—Grade II.

George Dion, Edward Laventure—Grade I.

Beatrice Fagan—Kindergarten.

Leslie Albee—South Hopedale.

MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN PRESENTED TO THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE BY SUSAN PRESTON DRAPER.

Nineteenth Annual Report

OF THE

Bancroft Memorial Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1904.

TRUSTEES.

ANNA M. BANCROFT, Chairman,	Term expires 1905
EDWARD L. OSGOOD,	" " 1906
FRANK H. FRENCH,	" " 1907

LIBRARIAN AND SECRETARY FOR THE TRUSTEES.

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JANITOR.

C. E. STEWART.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

The trustees of The Bancroft Memorial Library respectfully submit the nineteenth annual report.

It is with great pleasure that we can report the fifth year in our new library building the best year, not only in regard to the number of books circulated, but also as to the number of people who have used the library. Our circulation has been 21,437 books, while in 1898, the last complete year in the old library, it was 12,348. This is doubtless due in part to the use of the second or non-fiction card, partly to the increase in population, but chiefly to the able service which is given the public by our librarian.

During the past two years a daily record of the number of juvenile books given out shows that nearly one fifth of all books issued were juvenile, a large percentage; so large and so important that, while great care is taken in the selection and distribution of books, it is earnestly urged that the parents co-operate with the librarian that the books adapted to the ages of the children may be read by them. No definite record has been kept of the work done by the patrons in the reference room, but there has been a decided growth, and the reference books now offer a wide field for students of all departments. For the first time in the history of the library, we have a complete card catalogue, which we hope to improve somewhat by adding more cards, analyzing the contents of important books and sets of books. We have also this year printed our first finding list. This is a little booklet of twenty-two pages, giving a list, both by author and subject, of the books purchased from 1899 through 1904 with the money presented by Gen. Draper for the purchase of technical books, together with the books on similar subjects which the library previously owned.

We have made a new departure this year by trying in a small way to add music for circulation. This seems to be an

excellent experiment, if we can judge by the fact that it is in almost constant demand.

A very important work is that which is done by the pupils of the public schools; and every effort is made to give them the splendid opportunities of a public library. In so far as possible all books suggested by the teachers and superintendent, other than text-books, are purchased. Our librarian held a meeting of the teachers at the library, that the teachers might learn what we had which would be of service to them, and that we might learn what they would like added to our already well equipped reference department. The teacher in every grade sent us a list for summer reading, which increased our circulation; for not only were new cards taken by the pupils, but in some cases the parents took out the books to read them to the children.

The Library Art Club has sent us twelve exhibits: Sicily; Canterbury; Assisi; Venice No. 1; Sienna; Elson prints; German festoons; Switzerland; Modern American sculpture; York; Egypt; Oxford. Some of these were especially fine, and all of them very interesting.

By the request of Mr. J. S. Henry an exhibition of amateur photography was allowed, which seemed most successful in every way, and which we hope may be repeated another year. This was held from Dec. 5 to Dec. 17, and pictures were sent in by Mr. J. S. Henry, Mr. W. S. Fitch, Mr. W. H. Nelson, Mr. Fred Ball, Mr. J. J. Emig, and Mr. Warren Henry.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 17, Mr. Hodgman gave an exhibit of photographs which were fine, unusual and interesting. That day was the record day in the life of the library; and to the gentlemen who helped in the success of this exhibition the trustees desire to extend their thanks.

The branch library at South Hopedale has been discontinued. Last year the books were sent down once a week, and the expense was about a cent a month. This year they were sent but once a month, with an expense of $2\frac{1}{4}$ cents for each book taken out. The interest seemed to have waned somewhat, and a visit on Nov. 7 showed that but two families were availing themselves of the privileges, so it was decided

to discontinue the branch now, but should there be any demand for the work there later the trustees will be very glad to renew the branch. The thanks of the trustees and the people benefited during the past year are extended to Miss Dewing.

We have continued our magazine table, and invite your co-operation, both in giving magazines and in taking them. And our bulletin-board served an excellent purpose in calling attention to books and articles, popular, new, interesting, and instructive.

Mrs. C. L. Bailey has presented the library a valuable collection of 72 books on technical subjects. Some of them are books from correspondence schools, which are very desirable, but which we are unable to purchase. Of these 72 volumes, all of which are of recent publication, only nine are duplicates of those we already have. A full list of these books will be found elsewhere. The trustees are very grateful to Mrs. Bailey for her extremely generous donation.

The general policy of the library will be the same in the future as in the past, but the special work of the librarian next year will be along the lines of local history—endeavoring at the same time to collect everything possible which was written by the Rev. Adin Ballou, the founder of the Hopedale Community. For this purpose we shall be very grateful for local photographs, showing things as they were or as they are, also any books, papers or pamphlets which would be of general interest. Our local photographic collection was started two years ago, when the Draper Company presented us with thirteen photographs of Bancroft parkway, and to this Mrs. F. E. Ball has added two pictures this year.

The account of the presentation of the beautiful fountain, placed on the land south of the library and given to the care of the trustees, has a special place in the report elsewhere.

Miss Sornborger is still rendering valuable service to us and to you. She is ever ready to assist in the reference department or in the selection of books, and all helpful suggestions are gratefully received by her and by the trustees.

As each year makes possible the increase in books, so also the pleasure and benefit to the reading public must be greater, and so, again, in trying to give the greatest good to the

greatest numbers, we thank you for your consideration, your co-operation and your interest.

ANNA M. BANCROFT,
Chairman of the trustees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1904.

Receipts:—			
Appropriation		$2,300 00	
Proceeds dog tax		194 74	
Special appropriation (November meeting) to pay for grading		142 59	
Fines, etc.		66 44	
Books sold		57 32	
Interest on Bancroft fund		40 00	
Gen. Draper money spent		34 74	
			$2,835 83
Expenditures:—			
Books:—			
Appropriation	$475 27		
Interest, Bancroft fund	40 00		
Gen. Draper money	10 74		
		$526 01	
Periodicals		131 33	
Binding		117 80	
Salaries		991 14	
Heating		364 25	
Lighting		293 61	
Supplies		39 60	
Mats, chair, plumbing fixtures		77 39	
Grading fountain lot		142 59	
Printing		34 75	
Express		20 55	
Water		17 43	
Labor		42 50	
Waxing floor		26 60	
Library art club		5 00	
South Hopedale branch		5 28	
			$2,835 83

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading-Room.	
	1903.	1904.	1903.	1904.
January,	1,880	1,945	907	721
February,	1,673	1,891	680	738
March,	1,766	2,049	780	864
April,	1,604	1,961	701	671
May,	1,382	1,461	636	571
June,	1,478	1,529	607	548
July,	1,304	1,562	581	621
August,	1,371	1,508	583	774
September,	1,500	1,560	740	854
October,	1,781	1,808	848	822
November,	1,816	2,074	720	910
December,	1,673	1,816	698	1,050
	19,228	21,164	8,481	9,144

South Hopedale branch, 273.
Total number of books issued, 21,437.
Card-holders, 1044.

Registered in 1904	217
" " 1904, South Hopedale . .	2
Cards withdrawn in 1904	224

Volumes in library, 10,406.
Added during year:—

By purchase, new	351
By purchase, to replace worn copies . .	25
By binding	58
By gift	31
	465

Fines, $66.07.
Per cent of fiction circulated, 70+.
Sunday visitors to reading-room, 290.

Books Purchased with the Interest of the Bancroft Fund.

Last eight volumes of the New International Encyclopædia.

Books Purchased with Money Given by Gen. Wm. F. Draper for Books in the Useful Arts.

Atkinson, Philip. Electricity for everybody.
Goss, W. F. M. Bench work in wood.
Hicks, I. P. Builders' guide.
Hodgson, F. T. Modern carpentry.
Rogers' drawing and design.
Rosco, H. E. & Schorlemmer. Treatise on chemistry. V. II.
Sewall, C. H. Wireless telegraphy.

Books Given by Mrs. C. L. Bailey.

American Bridge Co. Standards for structural details. 1901.
American School of Correspondence. Compendium of drawing. 2 v. c1904.
American Society Mechanical Engineers. Transactions, 1902-1903.
Barr, J. H. Notes on the design of machine elements. 1901.
Bryant, J. C. Business man's commercial law and business forms. 1890.
Clark, D. K. Manual of rules, tables and data. 1891.
Crocker, F. B. and Wheeler, S. S. Practical management of dynamos and motors. 1894.
Ely, R. T. Outlines of economics. 1894.
Glazebrook, R. T. Mechanics and hydrostatics. 1895.
Goodman, John. Mechanics applied to engineering. 1899.
Gunsaulus, F. W., ed. Modern engineering. 8 v. 1902. (American School of Correspondence.)
Herriman, Gustav. Graphical statics of mechanism. 1892.
Hiscox, G. D. Mechanical movements, powers, devices and appliances. 1899.
Holmes, G. C. V. Steam engine. 1893.
Hurst, Charles. Valves and valve gearing. 1897.
Hutton, F. S. Mechanical engineering of power plants. 1900.
International Correspondence School. Elements of hydraulic engineering. 4 v. 1898.
Jackson, D. C. and J. P. Electricity and magnetism. 1902.
Jamieson, Andrew. Applied mechanics. 1898.
Jamieson, Andrew. Text-book of applied mechanics. 2 v. 1900.

Jamieson, Andrew. Text-book on steam and steam engines. 1893.
Johnson, J. B. Materials of construction. 1900.
Lanza, Gaetaus. Applied mechanics, 1900.
Low, D. A. and Bevis, A. W. Manual of machine drawing and design. 1893.
MacCord, C. W. Kinematics. 1893.
Marks, G. C. Hydraulic power engineering. 1900.
Metcalf, William. Steel: a manual for steel users. 1896.
Meyer, H. C. Steam power plants. 1903.
Metric system of weights and measures. 1898.
Morrow, J. T. and Reid, Thorburn. Arithmetic of magnetism and electricity, 1893.
Munroe, John. Pocket-book of electrical rules and tables. 1893.
Nystrom's pocket-book of mechanics and engineering. 1887.
Parkhurst, C. D. Dynamo and motor building. 1893.
Peabody, C. H. Valve gears for steam engines. 1893.
Peabody, C. H. and Miller, E. F. Steam boilers. 1898.
Perry, N. W. Electric railway motors. 1896.
Ranken, F. A. Strains in trusses. 1872.
Richards, Frank. Compressed air.
Richards, Frank. Questions and answers from the American machinist. 1900.
Roberts, E. W. Gas engine handbook. 1900.
Robinson, Henry. Hydraulic power and hydraulic machinery. 1893.
Roebling's Sons Co. Wire in electrical construction. 1900.
Sager, L. K. and others. Practical lessons in electricity. c1903. (American School of Correspondence.)
Shepardson, G. D. Electrical catechism. 1901.
Snow, W. B., ed. Mechanical draft. c1898.
Thompson, S. P. Dynamo electric machinery. 2 v. 1898.
Tulley, H. C. Handbook on engineering. 1902.
Unwin, W. C. Elements of machine design. 2 v. 1892.
Wiesbach, Julius. Mechanics of the machinery of transmission. 1890.
Watson, E. P., ed. Corliss engine and its management. 1894.

Wells, Webster. Plane and spherical trigonometry. c1883.
Woods, A. T. and Stahl, A. W. Elementary mechanism. 1894.

GIFTS, 1904.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Bailey, Mrs. C. L.	72		
Bancroft, Miss A. M.	5		
Barnard, J. M.	1		
Bass & Co.	6		
Callahan & Green	1		
Chickering & Son	1		
Coffin, Mrs. G. H.	1		
De Pauw University		1	
Draper Co.			1
Dutcher, F. J.	2		
Green, S. S.		1	
Green, E. H. R.		1	
Indian Rights Association		1	
			Bul.
Libraries:—			
Boston Public Library		1	
Brockton Public Library		1	1 yr.
Brookline Public Library		1	1 yr.
Burlington, Vt., Fletcher Free Library		1	
Chelsea, Fitz Public Library		1	
Everett, Parlin Memorial Library		1	
Everett, Shute Library		1	
Grand Rapids Public Library		1	
Greenfield Public Library		1	
Lancaster Town Library		1	
Lawrence Public Library		1	
Leominster Public Library		1	
Lynn Public Library		1	
Malden Public Library		1	
Melrose Public Library		1	
Milford Town Library	1		
Natick, Morse Institute Library		1	
Newark, N. J., Free Library		1	7
New Bedford Public Library		1	1 yr.

	Vol.	Pam.	Bul.
New York Public Library . .		1	
Peabody Institute Library . .		1	1 yr.
Providence Public Library . .		1	
Salem Public Library . . .		1	
Taunton Public Library . .		1	
Theological Library (General) of Boston		1	
Uxbridge Public Library . .		1	
Weymouth, Tufts Library . .		2	
Worcester Public Library . .		1	
Massachusetts, State of . . .	27	5	
			Per.
Milford Daily Journal . . .			1 yr.
Milford Daily News . . .			1 yr.
Milford Gazette			1 yr.
Osgood, E. L.	1		
Osgood, Miss H. T. . . .	4		
Phillips, S. L.	1		
Simmons College . . .		1	
Soldiers' Home, Chelsea . .		1	
Tabor Academy		1	
Total Abstinence Soc. . . .		1	
Trade catalogues:—			
Beaman & Smith Co. . . .		2	
Harris Steam Engine Co. . .	1	1	
Manning, Maxwell & Moore . .	2		
Mott, J. L.		3	
Pratt & Whiting Co. . . .		12	
United States Government . .	8	65	
Willard, Mrs. G. H. . . .	4	2	
Worcester State Normal School .		1	

LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(Those marked * are given.)

Weeklies.

American Machinist.
Automobile and Motor Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Outlook.
Public Opinion.
Scientific American.

WEEKLIES—Continued.

Frank Leslie's Illustrated.
Harper's Weekly.
Illustrated London News.
Life.
Milford Gazette.*
Official Gazette.*
Scientific American Supplement.
Week's Progress.
Woman's Journal.*
Youth's Companion.

MONTHLIES.

American Advocate of Peace.*
Arena.
Atlantic.
Bookman.
Century.
Cosmopolitan.
Cumulative Index to Periodicals.
Delineator.
Educational Review.
Engineering Magazine.
Frank Leslie's Popular Magazine.
Good Housekeeping.
Gunton's Magazine.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Bazar.
International Studio.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Library Journal.
Lippincott's.
McClure's.
Machinery.
Manifesto.*
Masters in Art.
Munsey's.
Musician.
New England.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Outing.
Photo-Era.
Popular Science Monthly.
Protectionist.*
Review of Reviews.
St. Nicholas.
Scientific American. Building Supplement.
Scribner's.
Success.
Textile Record.*
Woman's Home Companion.
World's Work.

QUARTERLIES.

Forum.
International Quarterly.
Technology Review.*

DAILIES.

Boston Herald.
Boston Journal.
Milford Daily Journal.*
Milford Daily News.*

Presentation and Acceptance of the Fountain.

At the town meeting held November 8, 1904, the selectmen and trustees were appointed a committee to accept a gift of the fountain of Mrs. Wm. F. Draper, who wishes it presented to the town. The committee met in the trustees' room of The Bancroft Memorial Library, November 12, 1904. Mrs. Draper was accompanied by Gen. Draper and Miss Margaret Draper, and presented the gift to the town in the following words:—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I am informed that the town of Hopedale has made its selectmen and the trustees of the town library a committee to receive in its name the fountain which has been erected on the public library grounds. For the purpose of making the presentation, therefore, I have asked you to meet me, and I am very glad to turn the fountain over to the town, it being complete and in place. A winter covering has been ordered for it, and will be included in the gift.

For several years I have had in mind the leaving of a suitable memorial in our beautiful town, and I have felt that something artistic would be desirable, as you are sure to provide yourselves with everything that is needed of a practical character. Being well acquainted with the eminent and representative American sculptor in Rome, Waldo Story, I took his advice, and that of others, and decided that a fountain, surmounted by a statue of Hope, would be a suitable embellishment of the town of Hopedale. Artistically I think it is a great success, and I believe the time will come when people will come from far and near to see and admire it. As a Southerner by birth I have given less thought to the utilitarian side, but I hope that the cups of water here furnished will refresh many a tired mechanic or schoolboy in long years to come.

I hereby transfer the ownership and care of the fountain to you, selectmen and trustees, as agents for the town, and if any papers are thought necessary by your counsel, in addition to this statement, I will gladly furnish them.

Signed: SUSAN PRESTON DRAPER.

The gift was accepted by Mr. E. A. Darling, chairman of the selectmen, for the committee, as follows:—

Mrs. Draper: In behalf of the town of Hopedale, I have the honor of accepting your generous gift.

The town is gratified that you are interested not only in adding to its beauty, but in presenting a gift that will give pleasure and comfort to its citizens.

The town is proud to have such a magnificent work of art; beautiful in design, wonderful in carving, the work of a master.

This fountain will prove a source of education, with its perfect Carrara marble and its symbols of hope and prosperity and plenty, to us of today and to future generations. The town appreciates your gift, it thanks you and accepts it in the generous spirit in which it is given, and for it will ever keep you in grateful remembrance.

Signed: Edwin A. Darling,
Chairman of the committee appointed by the town
to accept the gift of Mrs. Susan Preston Draper.

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